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Canada Line rides from YVR to get $5 pricier

TRANSIT Starting Jan. 18 transit users will have to pay $5 on top of their fares if they ride the Canada Line from Vancouver's airport, TransLink announced.

The extra fare will also apply at Sea Island Centre and Templeton stations — all on Sea Island — when transit riders use a Ticket Vending Machine.

TransLink's original proposal was for an additional fare of $2.50 for travel to as well as from the airport, but on Thursday the company said its commissioner, Martin Crilly, approved this modified plan.

Riders using pre-paid fares, such as DayPasses and FareCards, will not have to pay the extra $5.

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Lindsay Alcock, a two-time skeleton Olympian, outside The Bay at East Georgia and Granville streets yesterday. Alcock said she was surprised to learn that only seven out of 50 people polled by Metro were able to name five Winter Olympic hopefuls.

Can you name your Canadian Olympians?

Metro finds hockey players the best-known athletes by far

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Only seven of 50 people interviewed by Metro in Vancouver over the last two days were able to name five Canadian Winter Olympic athletes.

Valid responses included athletes who have already qualified as well as those contending to make Canada's Olympic Team, which will be announced Jan. 29. The only catch is that responders were limited to naming only one athlete from the men's ice hockey team.

"I am surprised," said two-time Olympian Lindsay Alcock, who competed in skeleton in Torino and Sault Lake City. "But it's a good time to get to know the athletes. By this time next month they are all going to be household names."

The most-often named Winter Olympian was Vancouver Canucks goalie Roberto Luongo. Pittsburg Penguins centre Sidney Crosby and speedskater Jeremy Wotherspoon shared the runner-up spot with five mentions each.

Figure skater Patrick Chan took bronze with four people naming him. Thirteen respondents gave Metro their personal information then said they couldn't name a single athlete.

Yupin Yang, an assistant professor of marketing with Simon Fraser University said the seemingly low knowledge of Canada's Olympic representatives is a consequence of low media exposure.

"Most people can name hockey players because they are exposed to the hockey players daily," Yang said. "However, athletes in other sports have very little coverage in our media such as TV, newspapers and Internet."

Yang also suggested that Summer Olympic athletes are better known.

"(There's) a greater national pride associated with the Summer Olympics because the Summer Olympics have a high participation from all the countries in the world," she said.

But Canada's Winter athletes can still become household names, by winning a medal on home soil or by participating in community events, Yang said.

"I think a good story about an athlete can help if the story generates public interest and becomes a topic of conversation," she said.

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Raincoats aplenty at Olympics

SAFEGAMES A consortium of almost 20 organizations and harm-reduction advocacy groups plans to distribute a quarter of a million condoms to residents and visitors during the 2010 Games.

SafeGames 2010 plans to have more than 200 volunteers — some dressed as "superheroes" with names like Captain Condom, Methadone Man and Pink Storm — handing out kits with condoms and lube as well as hand warmers, glow sticks and lip balm.

"A lot of visitors will find themselves in situations that they might not normally find themselves in," said Luciano Colonna, a spokesman for SafeGames 2010.

Volunteers will be scattered throughout Downtown Vancouver, Granville Island and Whistler during the Games.

"We'll have a bunch of superheroes," said Colonna, who is among the founders of SafeGames 2002, an organization that handed out 100,000 condoms at the 2002 Olympics in Salt Lake City.

"We'll have giant condoms on stilts. We'll have marching bands … the only limit is our imagination."

The kits will also contain information cards about the city, transportation, safe sex, clinics and 12-step programs. Their website is safegames2010.com.

VANOC and Vancouver Coastal Health, which are not affiliated with this effort, plan to distribute an additional 100,000 condoms to Olympic athletes and officials.

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The iconic W, left, that graced the Woodward's department store in Downtown Vancouver will be erected Friday morning at the new Woodward's building. METRO VANCOUVER

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News in brief

SLAIN REPORTER A funeral will be held in Vancouver on Monday for Calgary Herald reporter Michelle Lang, who was killed Dec. 30 in Afghanistan. Lang, 34, was born and raised in Vancouver and her family still lives here.

ARREST Transit police have arrested a man allegedly seen wielding a cleaver and steak knife in an alley near Stadium SkyTrain station. William Genaille, 43, from Vancouver, has made a court appearance related to the incident.

ROBBERY A 31-year-old North Vancouver man was arrested after a dye pack exploded in the cab that was transporting a suspected thief after a bank robbery. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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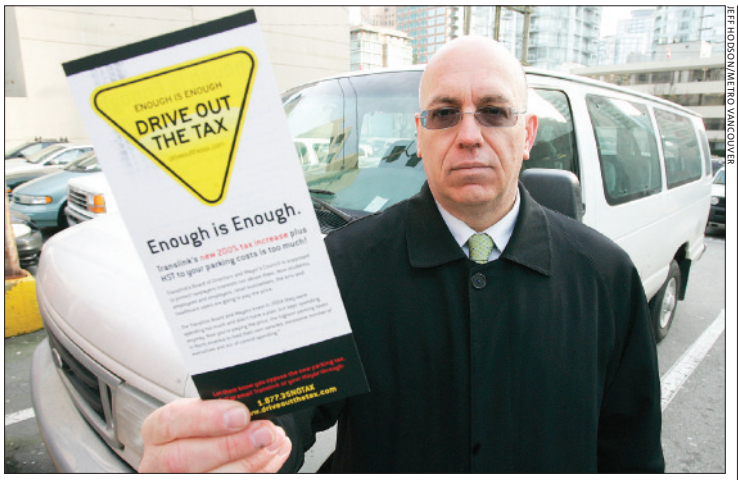

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Charles Gauthier, executive director of the Downtown Vancouver Business Improvement Association, at a parking lot on Seymour Street Thursday.

Businesses take aim at parking tax hike

Group launches campaign to fight 14% increase

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Vancouver businesses want TransLink to put the brake on its recent tripling of the tax on parking lots in Metro Vancouver.

The increase took effect Jan. 1 and raises the tax for off-street paid parking to 21 per cent, an increase of 14 per cent.

"We're in an economic recovery here," said Charles Gauthier, executive director of the Downtown Vancouver Business Improvement Association. "This is just absurd. It's exorbitant."

On Thursday, a group of 30 businesses and organizations, including the DVBIA, launched Drive Out the Tax, a one-week public education campaign.

It includes flyers tucked under windshield wipers, which feature a phone number to connect people to their city's mayor.

The increase doesn't only affect businesses, Gauthier added, but all off-street paid parking, including students at universities and people visiting family in hospitals.

TransLink spokesman Ken Hardie called the criticism unfair.

"Where were they a year ago, when we were talking about this?" he asked.

"We laid out the options for generating revenue ... and by and large, the (parking increase) was near the top of what people wanted us to do."

The increase is part of TransLink's $130-million supplement transportation plan that was approved in October by a council of regional mayors.

It also includes a three-cent increase in TransLink's regional fuel taxes (to 15 cents per litre), which also took effect Jan. 1, and increases in the price of FareSaver tickets and monthly passes, which will take effect in April.

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Real-estate prices to rise 7.2% in 2010, survey says

PROPERTY Vancouver's red-hot real-estate market will continue to smoke in 2010, a housing market survey forecast on Thursday.

Real-estate prices in Vancouver are expected to increase 7.2 per cent in the coming year, according to a Royal LePage market survey and forecast.

Driving the demand are improved economic conditions and continued low interest rates.

In the fourth quarter of 2009, condominium prices in Vancouver increased 11.8 per cent year-over-year to an average price of $452,750.

Bungalows increased 11.4 per cent to $828,750, while two-storey houses increased 9.6 per cent to $917,500. METRO VANCOUVER

UBC astronomer produces images of early galaxy creation

SPACE An astronomer and post-doctorate fellow from the University of B.C. has produced unprecedented images of deep space from 12 billion years ago that include tens of thousands of newly discovered galaxies.

Gaelen Marsden's detailed images show the galaxies at the early stages of formation, only one billion years after the Big Bang, when the universe was a thriving nursery of newly formed stars.

"These images allow us to see 10 times more galaxies than ever before and with stunning clarity," said Marsden, who used data from the European Space Agency's Herschel Space Observatory.

"They allow us to take a close look at the stars during early and vital stages of formation, and could change the way we study formation in the future."

The images were recently presented at the first International Herschel Science Meeting in Madrid, Spain.

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2009 B.C. tourism numbers down with fewer U.S., overseas visitors

TRAVEL B.C. took a big hit on the tourism front last year.

Tourism Minister Kevin Krueger says figures to the end of October show overnight visits from the U.S. were down 4.7 per cent.

The numbers decreased even more for tourists from overseas, with visits from Europe down nine per cent, those from Australia off 16.5 per cent and from Japan down almost 29 per cent.

Hotel occupancy fell six per cent while traffic to Vancouver International Airport dropped by just over 10 per cent.

As for the good news, Krueger says cruise ship activity was up nearly 15 per cent in Victoria and more than five per cent in Vancouver, while travel from China rose 1.8 per cent.

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News in brief

NANAIMO RCMP have arrested two brothers, 21 and 24, with alleged ties to the Red Scorpions gang after a large amount of cash was discovered in their vehicle.

DEATH The man credited as Canada's Paralympics founder, Dr. Robert W. Jackson, has died at age 78. Jackson had received both the Paralympic Order and Order of Canada.

CRIME Vancouver police are looking for a man who is ripping off Good Samaritans by claiming he needs taxi fare to get his pregnant wife to the hospital. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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To party, add ice

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The Bell Ice Cube will be a 280-square-metre structure allowing visitors to watch Olympic events live in HD.

"With more than 20 high-definition plasma TVs showing all 10 channels within Canada's Olympic Broadcast Media Consortium, plus our own dedicated live venue feeds, the Bell Ice Cube is the natural meeting place for people coming into the centre of the city," said Loring Phinney, a spokesperson for Bell.

"The Bell Ice Cube is the natural meeting place for people coming into the centre of the city."
Loring Phinney, Bell spokesperson

During the opening and closing ceremonies and during major sporting events, visitors will be able to watch the magic on a large projection screen.

The venue will be open daily from Feb. 11 to Feb. 28, from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and will feature entertainment and chances to meet athletes. METRO VANCOUVER

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An artist's rendering of the Bell Ice Cube fan zone that opens Feb. 11 at Robson and Beatty streets.

Man sentenced for airport gun

COURTS A man who tried to take a loaded handgun in his carry-on bag through Vancouver's airport security has been handed a 38-month prison sentence.

Shannon Rennie has been convicted of carrying a prohibited weapon, possession of a prohibited firearm and ammunition, and improper storage of a weapon.

The 34-year-old man was planning to fly to Ontario when he tried to go through the screening process with a loaded .38-calibre Smith and Wesson and extra ammunition in his bag.

Airport staff called police, who also looked at the X-ray scanner, then searched the bag and arrested Rennie.

On top of the prison term, Rennie has been banned from owning a firearm for 10 years. METRO VANCOUVER

The good times don't last forever

VICTORIA A man who has lived at the University of Victoria for 19 years is facing eviction after the B.C. Supreme Court rejected his arguments to stay. Alkis Gerd'son has lived on campus since 1991 although he hasn't completed a course for credit since 1997. Gerd'son challenged an eviction notice by arguing he was persecuted because of an unspecified disability. METRO VANCOUVER

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Gamblers win millions, but claim they're not so lucky

Quebec's lottery commission has reached a tentative multimillion-dollar agreement to compensate thousands of addicted gamblers in a class-action settlement that must still be approved by a judge. But the plaintiffs say the reported $50 million payoff amounts to less than one-tenth what they were hoping for. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

Reeves case collapses

An Ontario judge has dismissed a paternity suit against actor Keanu Reeves. Karen Sala alleged Reeves was the father of her four adult children and sought $3 million a month in support. But Barrie, Ont., Judge Fred Graham said Sala's allegations were "so incredible" no reasonable judge would accept them. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hush-hush terror trap to spy on millions

Canada is quietly toiling in the shadows on a super system to ferret out airline terror threats.

The electronic system would allow security agencies to analyze the personal information of every person who boards a plane in Canada. It would crunch personal details about more than 200 million people annually.

And it would demonstrate "to the U.S. that Canada remains committed to the security of North America."

"Work has already begun to review Canada's approach to assessing air passengers," says an official report. The system takes input from the Canada Border Services Agency and CSIS.

"There's no doubt that it is the Americans that are pushing this."
Prof. Mark Salter

Critics argue there should be public debate and scrutiny of the potentially invasive tool.

"I think there's no doubt that it is the Americans that are pushing this," said University of Ottawa professor Mark Salter.

Roch Tasse of the Ottawa-based International Civil Liberties Monitoring Group wonders whether anyone on a U.S. no-fly list would be rejected under the Canadian scheme. "Are we going to apply American standards? That's the bottom-line concern."

Security officials are scrambling in the aftermath of an apparent attempt by a Nigerian man to blow up a Detroit-bound jetliner on Christmas Day. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Harper has no halo: Mag

PROROGATION An influential British newsmagazine is not amused by Stephen Harper's recent parliamentary tactics.

The Economist Thursday published a critical story about the prime minister's suspension of parliament and a scathing editorial under the headline, "Harper goes prorogue."

"Never mind what his spin doctors say: Mr. Harper's move looks like naked self-interest," says the editorial.

The Economist, which has a circulation of about 1.4 million, endorsed Harper in the 2006 and 2008 elections, but the bloom appears to be off the rose.

A Facebook site against Harper's prorogation had more than 88,000 members as of mid-afternoon Thursday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ottawa **Thousands of officers bid farewell to their hero**

PAWEL DWULIT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Thousands of police officers from across Canada and the United States escort the hearse of Police Const. Ireneusz (Eric) Czapnik during his funeral in Ottawa Thursday. Czapnik was stabbed to death. Kevin Gregson, 43, a suspended Mountie, has been charged in the death and is in custody. Premier Dalton McGuinty said Czapnik was a hero who put his life on the line for the community.

News in brief

CRIME A man who tried to clear a street with a snowblower ended up with a public intoxication ticket. Police in Barrie, Ont., say he was too intoxicated to operate the machine. THE CANADIAN PRESS

What are these legal pot operations smoking?

LEGAL POT Medical marijuana may be legal, but fire chiefs say some grow-ops in Ontario and B.C. are a safety hazard.

Jim Jessop, of the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, says he has seen some legal sites with poor wiring, improperly stored chemicals and charred floors from high-powered lights.

Chief Len Garis, of the Fire Chiefs Association of B.C., says four of nine legal grow operations firefighters stumbled upon were shut down because of electrical and fire safety issues. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Employers hit by costs of Afghan war: Report

MILITARY The increased reliance of Canada's military on its volunteer part-time soldiers is imposing a financial burden on their employers that taxpayers need to help carry, a new analysis concludes.

Employers face additional expenses in recruiting and training temporary replacements for deployed employees, says the report released Thursday by the C.D. Howe Institute.

The situation has become particularly pressing in light of the Afghanistan war.

About 20 per cent of the troop strength in the war-torn country comes from reservists. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Canada is accusing the Thai government of flouting international law by sending UN-designated refugees back to their home country of Laos. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Gym-goers speak up about poor etiquette

Exercising is great, but respect others

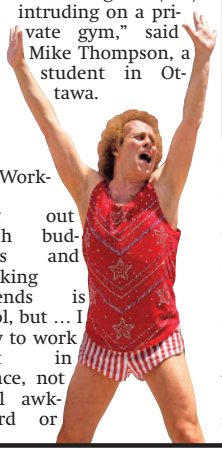
KRISTEN THOMPSON
Metro Vancouver

Sticking to that hard-to-keep New Year's resolution to exercise would be easier if other gym-goers were a little more thoughtful, according to readers.

Metro asked Canadians to share their gym pet peeves, and it seems many of us come close to throwing a fit while trying to keep fit because of those smelly, weight-banging machine hogs that plague gyms from coast-to-coast.

Topping the list as the most irksome gym no-no are people who leave sweat on equipment. A close second are social butterflies who monopolize equipment.

"I hate feeling like (I'm) intruding on a private gym," said Mike Thompson, a student in Ottawa.



"Working out with buddies and making friends is cool, but … I pay to work out in peace, not feel awkward or in the way."

Randall Smith, manager at Westside Gym in Vancouver, said gyms are extra busy right now because of New Year's resolutions, and newcomers should learn the ropes to avoid breaking gym etiquette.

"The best thing to do is make yourself familiar with the rules at your gym," he said.

"Putting equipment away is a big rule. Don't sit on your machine between your sets. Grunting and noises, especially with guys, doesn't impress anyone."

Lastly, he said, consider your personal hygiene. Wear deodorant and keep perfume and cologne to a minimum.

Richard Simmons likes sweating it up at the gym.

Tweets from across Canada

VANCOUVER

• @mstanger gym etiquette: sitting on equipment and talking on a cell phone. Wasting the equipment and boring me with your inane chatter

• @gayvancouver Our biggest gym pet peeves (besides the January crowds) are the loud grunter and the heavy footed treadmill runner.

HALIFAX

• @mickeymaclean my biggest gym pet peeve is people talking on cellphones while working out its sooo annoying !!!

• @musicsunshine Definitely staying on the machine when its passed your time. Worst ever! ... people who love being naked in the changing rooms — bending over, taking their time. AHH change already! Im not even a prude!

TORONTO

• @alexis_levenson change room etiquette pet peeve — ppl who stand too close to you when changing, even though the rest of the room is empty.

• @RK818 Ppl talking on the phone and those who dont wipe down their machine afterwards = selfishness. Youre not the only ones!

CALGARY

• @almoonir Gym pet peeve: people hogging equipment! If you like it so much, buy your own.

• @that_angela Extending time on equipment because youre too busy chatting/texting on your cellphone. ... Not racking your plates. Not everyone can bench two plates, K? And same goes for dumbbells. Rack em. This isnt your bedroom.

EDMONTON

• @rainyfool 3-way tie of dropping weights loudly, grunting, and not wiping down equipment.

• @AlexandraLPope Bad gym etiquette ‹ when some dude brings his own boom box and drowns out everyones mp3 players with Nickelback.

Pair of cities ban Virgin Mobile ads with kissing couple

MARKETING Two Canadian cities have banned a pair of billboard ads for Virgin Mobile that show a man kissing a woman and touching her buttocks with the caption "Hook Up Fearlessly."

The ads were pulled recently in Mississauga, Ont., and are now being removed by the Calgary Transit Authority after public complaints in both cities.

Officials in both Calgary and Mississauga say the ads were simply not suited for bus shelters where families and children would see them.

Calgary Transit spokesman Ron Collins says they wanted to avoid anything that might be seen as sexual exploitation.

But Virgin Mobile spokesman Nathan Rosenberg says the company doesn't see what all the fuss is about because people embracing each other should be seen as a good thing.

Rosenberg says the company has no plans to change its campaign, which is running across Canada.

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Naked jogger remanded for mental evaluation

Authorities say a man who took off his clothes and went jogging in near-freezing temperatures near the White House Wednesday has been hospitalized for psychiatric evaluation. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Failed challenge exposes divisions

A failed challenge to British Prime Minister Gordon Brown's Labour party leadership has exposed divisions in his government and pessimism among allies over his re-election prospects, pollsters and analysts said. The Cabinet Wednesday put down a rebellion by two former ministers who sought a secret ballot on whether Brown should remain in charge of the party. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The buck stops here

Report on plane incident released, Obama takes responsibility

"The buck stops with me," U.S. President Barack Obama said Thursday as he outlined measures aimed at preventing another terrorist attack on the United States in the tense aftermath of a Christmas Day attempt to blow a Detroit-bound jetliner out of the sky.

"When the system fails, it's my responsibility," Obama said — an indication that no high-level firings of intelligence officials would result from the near-miss incident. The president said he's ordered steps be taken to ensure all leads on potential terrorist plots are thoroughly investigated, that intelligence is better shared and that no-fly lists are utilized properly.

"We can't sit on information that can protect the American people."

As the president spoke at the White House, his administration released a declassified version of a preliminary, six-page report on what went wrong two weeks ago when 23-year-old Nigerian Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab allegedly tried to blow up the airliner with explosives hidden in his pants. The device was ignited, but failed to detonate. Passengers and crew subdued Abdulmutallab, an apparent al-Qaida operative.

Abdulmutallab, who was indicted on Wednesday on attempted murder, has reportedly told investigators he was trained by al-Qaida operatives in Yemen. His father also warned that his son was an extremist. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Failed to act

- Obama said intelligence agencies knew that an al-Qaida affiliate based in Yemen was plotting an attack on the U.S., but failed to zero in on the "known terrorist" before he boarded the Northwest flight in Amsterdam.

India **Dalai Lama lectures**

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A young Indian Buddhist monk listens to the Dalai Lama's lecture at Mahabodhi temple in Bodh Gaya, India, Thursday. Bodh Gaya is the town where Prince Siddhartha Gautama attained enlightenment after intense meditation and became the Buddha. The lectures will continue until Sunday.

Expert calls for Sri Lankan probe

SRI LANKA A UN human rights investigator said Thursday that a videotape of an apparent execution of blindfolded and naked Tamils by Sri Lankan soldiers probably is authentic and called for a war crimes investigation.

Philip Alston did not specify who should undertake his recommended investigation into war crimes and other grave violations of human rights allegedly committed in Sri Lanka. The central government's 25-year war against Tamil Tiger rebels ended in May, with UN reports saying that more than 7,000 civilians were killed in the final spasm of fighting as government forces closed in. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Earth-like planets could be found soon: Astronomers

SPACE Excited astronomers say they could find Earth-like planets in just a few years. Astronomers say they are on the verge of finding planets like Earth orbiting other stars, a key step in determining if we are alone in the universe.

A top NASA official and other leading scientists say that within four or five years they should discover the first Earth-like planet where life could develop, or may have already.

A planet close to the size of Earth could even be found sometime this year if preliminary hints from a new space telescope pan out. At the annual American Astronomical Society conference this week, each discovery involving so-called "exoplanets" — those outside our solar system — pointed to the same conclusion: Quiet planets like Earth where life could develop probably are plentiful, despite a violent universe of exploding stars, crushing black holes and colliding galaxies.

NASA's new Kepler telescope and a wealth of new research from the suddenly hot and competitive exoplanet field generated noticeable buzz at the convention.

Scientists are talking about being at "an incredible special place in history" and closer to answering a question that has dogged humanity since the beginning of civilization.

"The fundamental question is: Are we alone? For the first time, there's an optimism that sometime in our lifetimes we're going to get to the bottom of that," said Simon "Pete" Worden, an astronomer who heads NASA's Ames Research Center. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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ScanLife

Scottish officials have linked a deadly outbreak of anthrax to contaminated heroin. Scan this code for the full story.

News in brief

BRITAIN A 14-year-old math prodigy has been offered a place at prestigious Cambridge University — if he can pass just one more exam. Arran Fernandez, who was home-schooled in southern England's Surrey county, was offered an undergraduate place at Cambridge's Fitzwilliam College after passing the university's entrance exam. He now needs only to pass his physics A-level exam — a standardized test for British students — to enrol.

AUSTRALIA Conservationists monitoring Japanese whalers in the Antarctic said Friday that they remained committed to protecting whales despite a dangerous clash this week that resulted in one of their boats sinking. Paul Watson, founder of the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society, said the Ady Gil sank overnight while it was being towed to a French base in Antarctica for possible repairs. On Wednesday, the Japanese whaling ship Shonan Maru plowed into the Ady Gil, knocking the bow off the boat that was one of the society's trio of vessels trying to harass the hunters out of business. A Sea Shepherd volunteer suffered two cracked ribs from the crash.

UTAH The U.S. Bureau of Land Management has postponed plans to round up about 185 wild horses from a western Utah herd. The agency had planned the roundup for Jan. 15, but it's been rescheduled for July so the BLM can conduct an environmental analysis before proceeding. Officials also said snowy conditions would have made the roundup more difficult. The herd roams the remote Confusion Mountain range. The agency had said the roundup was needed to reduce the herd to its target size. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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The U.S. Embassy says staff are being harassed as they travel around Pakistan. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Mona Lisa should have eaten better: Professor

In what may be the ultimate long-distance diagnosis, an Italian doctor has weighed in on the secret of Mona Lisa's smile: high cholesterol.

That adds another theory to a running list that is almost as old as Leonardo da Vinci's portrait itself, painted about 500 years ago, that already ranges from motherhood to old varnish.

Dr. Vito Franco, professor of pathological anatomy at the University of Palermo, told a meeting in Florence, Italy, that the look in Mona Lisa's eyes is a result of a build-up of fatty acids under the skin, a clear sign of high cholesterol.

"Illness exists within the body, it does not have a metaphysical or supernatural dimension," Franco told La Stampa newspaper this week.

"The people depicted in art reveal their physicality, tell us of their vulnerable humanity, regardless of the artist's awareness of it."

Franco is not the first doctor to worry about Mona Lisa's diet and arteries. A Japanese heart specialist in preventive medicine, Haruo Nakamura declared in 1991 that the woman was likely to have had arteriosclerosis, traced to the yellow swellings next to the bridge of her nose, "one of the symptoms of high cholesterol." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pregnant glow?

• Canadian researchers in 2006 concluded Mona Lisa's skin discolouration was from the glow of motherhood. Using infrared and 3-D technology, the National Research Council spotted a 16th century "maternity veil" over her dress, which dovetailed with the birth of a second child to Lisa Gherardini, the wife of a silk merchant long considered the most likely identity of the woman in the portrait.

Details exposed on man accused in airline attack

YEMEN The Yemeni government on Thursday provided the most comprehensive account yet of contacts between the Nigerian accused of trying to blow up an airliner and al-Qaida, saying he may have met with a radical U.S.-born cleric who previously had contact with the alleged Fort Hood shooter.

In the weeks before the attempted Christmas Day airliner attack, Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab met with al-Qaida operatives in a remote mountainous region, according to Yemen's Deputy Prime Minister Rashad al-Alimi. However, al-Alimi insisted Abdulmutallab was recruited by al-Qaida in Britain and received the explosives in Nigeria. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

BRITAIN A report that the Nigerian who tried to down a U.S. airliner joined al-Qaida as a student in Britain has raised concerns about radical Islamists on U.K. campuses in a test for authorities trying to balance security and free speech.

ISRAEL The United Nations said Thursday it has reached agreement in principle with Israel on payment for UN losses during the war in Gaza a year ago. UN spokesman Martin Nesirky said the United Nations is waiting for "a green light" from the Israeli government, which it expects "imminently." A UN investigation found that Israeli weaponry was "the undisputed cause" of attacks on several UN schools, a health clinic and the world body's Gaza headquarters during the three-week Israeli offensive in Gaza in December 2008 and January 2009. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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City hall still hasn't learned

UrbanCompass

The city had all those warm summer months to prepare for winter 2010, but decided to wait until the last minute to spring its little surprise on the residents, without telling anyone.

As Richard Nixon liked to say, let me make one thing perfectly clear:

Homeless people need to be able to come in from the cold and the city must provide them with shelter.

Full stop.

We could argue for days about how people really don't need to be homeless in this day and age, how they should be more responsible for themselves, how we should do nothing to encourage drug or alcohol abuse, and how they would straighten out fast if we just cut off all the welfare and other social assistance.

At the end of the discussion — no matter how long-winded — there would still be homeless people. Some people can't find their way home and that's a fact. Maybe they can be fixed, but in the meantime, being homeless should never be a capital offence. Death by freezing is a preventable tragedy.

OK, you decide to help the homeless; then you have to decide how to do it. And one way not to do it is to reopen the shelter at 1435 Granville under the Granville Street Bridge. Especially without warning or consulting the residents of the area until after the fact, even though the last time you tried it, it ended badly. The shelter attracted some bad actors who freaked out the residents with open sex and drug use, violent behaviour and language, and various criminal acts. There went the neighbourhood.

This time, we have learned our lesson, says the mayor (a.k.a. Gregor the Good). Well, if that's so, there's scant evidence. Someone from the city left a voicemail for the residents, informing them the shelter would open Wednesday and oh, there will be an open house on Jan. 20 to talk about it.

Obviously, advance consultation with the residents would be annoying and time-consuming, so let's just get the damned place open before anyone can protest.

Consultation? We don't need no stinking consultation!

The city had all those warm summer months to prepare for winter 2010, but decided to wait until the last minute to spring its little surprise on the residents, without telling anyone. Which is what happened last time, so why should the residents believe the city has learned its lesson?

In case city hall hasn't figured it out, it should be possible to help the homeless while respecting the lives and values of those with homes. In fact, let's make one more thing perfectly clear: It's the only way to go.

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MICHAEL DE ADDER

Views

Weeding out a bad home purchase

Marketplace

We all know Mike Holmes — the guy with biceps the size of tires, who rights wrongs when it comes to home renovations. But at Marketplace, we team up with Mike Friday night to tackle a growing (no pun intended) problem in Canada — homes that are used for marijuana grow-ops, then sold to unsuspecting buyers.

The RCMP estimates there are thousands of houses being used for grow-ops today, often in quiet, suburban neighbourhoods, where you'd least expect them. They're often quietly patched up — leaving new homeowners stuck with mould, structural and electrical issues.

Theresa Denton was happy with her house purchase near Kamloops, until she learned it'd been a grow-op for almost a decade. Today, she's facing a bill that could top $100,000 just to make her home safe to live in. Her walls are covered in mould, and her son's developed such a severe mould allergy, he has to take medication to help him breathe.

"I think we need to do something about the home inspection industry. It's obvious that it's not working."
Mike Holmes

Denton — like other unsuspecting homeowners — hired a home inspector before she bought her house. But in his report, he makes no mention of mould all over the attic walls. "He had a flashlight," said Denton. "Either he's not telling the truth, or he's just completely incompetent."

It's a story Mike Holmes is hearing more and more — home inspectors who don't spot costly problems, especially when it comes to spotting grow-op warning signs. "I think we need to do something about the home inspection industry," said Holmes. "It's obvious that it's not working."

In Canada, there are no requirements for home inspectors to get any training to spot grow-ops. In fact, what training is required to be a home inspector varies across the country. In most provinces, anyone can hang out a "home inspector" shingle, and if they give you bad advice, your only recourse is a lengthy and costly court case.

When we caught up with Theresa Denton's home inspector, he told us he wasn't responsible for Denton's nightmare, and his contract even says so.

Denton's now suing her home inspector, the former owner of the house, and her real estate agent. Sadly, the courts are full of cases like Denton's — homebuyers who thought a home inspection would protect them.

Erica Johnson is a journalist and co-host of CBC News: Marketplace, Canada's award-winning consumer affairs show. CBC News: Marketplace airs each Friday night at 8:30 p.m. on CBC Television.

Worth mentioning

Toddler recovering after chopstick pierces brain

A 14-month-old boy in China is recovering after doctors removed a chopstick from his brain that accidentally poked up through his nose, a spokesman for the local hospital said Thursday.

The toddler, Li Jingchao, from the eastern province of Shandong, is undergoing treatment at Bo Ai Hospital in Beijing for an infection caused by the life-threatening impalement, spokesman Chen Yawei said.

Li was playing with chopsticks while his mother was in the kitchen washing dishes when he fell and began crying when a chopstick pierced into his nose, Chen said.

Because local hospitals did not have the technology to safely remove the chopstick, Li's parents travelled 10 hours north by car to Beijing on Dec. 26 immediately after the accident, Chen said. The boy arrived with a high fever and an irregular heartbeat, according to a report released by the hospital.

Neurosurgeons at the hospital were concerned the removal of the chopstick, which was lodged four millimetres into Li's brain, would cause internal hemorrhaging once removed — possibly causing paralysis or even death, Chen said.

"Luckily, the removal resulted in little bleeding and he suffered only an infection," Chen said.

Chen said Li's neurosurgeon was perfect for the job since he had extensive experience with surgeries involving chopsticks lodged in eyes, foreheads and necks.

Li is expected to be released from the hospital in about a week, Chen said.

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GM makes first electric battery to power Chevrolet Volt

General Motors has made its first mass-produced electric car battery as it gears up to sell the new Chevrolet Volt to the general public later this year. The lithium-ion battery was made Thursday at GM's Brownstown Battery Pack Assembly Plant. Regular production at both facilities is expected to begin in the fourth quarter. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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'Generation Debt' needs lessons: Expert

As Canadian consumers waded deeper into debt during the so-called Great Recession, the federal government decided it was time to boost financial literacy, a lesson many Canadians missed before their debts began to mount.

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty launched the Financial Literacy Task Force in June, citing his belief that a financially-literate population would create a more stable economy.

Financial planning must be ingrained in Canadians, said Tom Hamza, president of the Investor Education Fund. The fund is charged with figuring out how to integrate financial lessons into Ontario's curricula for Grade 4 to 12 students.

Hamza said that educating children can help combat some of the damaging examples many parents have inadvertently taught over the last two decades. "That is the exact time period that our household debt levels have gone up, ... and we've changed our perspective from 'Can I afford it?' to 'Can I afford the payments?'" he said.

Older members of the demographic, sometimes called "Generation Debt," are accruing debt at rates never seen before. A Harris-Decima poll suggests that 60 per cent of baby boomers financially support their adult children.

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Teach kids to save

- Discuss with children what it means to budget, or be in debt, and involve them in the family budgeting. Offer small incentives for kids to help parents cut back on the household phone bill or heating costs.

Las Vegas (Smaller) Intel inside

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The Intel Corp. booth at the Consumer Electronics Show (CES) in Las Vegas Thursday. Intel rolled out new computer chips at the trade show that highlight the company's lead over Advanced Micro Devices Inc. in shrinking the circuitry inside its processors.

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Positive job data expected for December

LABOUR The Canadian economy is again poised to start churning out jobs instead of burning them.

Following the pre-Christmas surprise that 79,000 jobs were created in November, economists expect December's numbers, which will be announced Friday morning, to again be positive. And the outlook for 2010 is even rosier, with some projecting that more than 300,000 new jobs will be created.

The consensus of 22 economists surveyed this week forecast a 20,000 gain in December. That would be the second consecutive month of job gains, despite a so-so economy that only showed the first significant signs of growth at the end of 2009.

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Business in brief

HOUSING A Royal LePage survey predicts Canada's residential real estate market will remain unusually strong through the first half of 2010. The real estate firm says as confidence in the economic recovery grows, average prices are expected to rise.

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Ribeiro out 4 to 6 weeks after being hit in throat

Dallas Stars centre Mike Ribeiro will miss four to six weeks after being accidentally hit in the throat with a stick during a game against the New York Rangers. Ribeiro was placed on the injured list Thursday and will remain hospitalized in New York for a few days. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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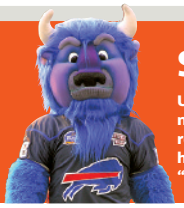

Senator told Bills won't go to L.A.

U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer has been reassured by Bills owner Ralph Wilson that he has no intention of entertaining offers to relocate the team to Los Angeles. In a statement released Thursday, the New York Democrat said Wilson told him by phone that he's had no contact with a real estate firm seeking to lure a team to L.A, and would have "absolutely no consideration of entertaining" such an offer. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Whitecaps will have a league to play in as squabble ends

GREG DOWNS
for Metro Vancouver

North America's two sparring soccer leagues were told by their parent organization to get along and play together as two conferences of a single league.

In 2010 the United States Soccer Federation will have an umbrella league named USSF Division Two. It will consist of two conferences — the United Soccer League conference and the North American Soccer League conference.

For the Vancouver Whitecaps, fielding a team this year was crucial to continue building momentum toward making the jump to Major League Soccer in the 2011 season.

Bob Lenarduzzi, the Whitecaps' president, told Metro on Thursday that there was no doubt from within the organization that it would play this season.

After the USL was sold last year, some teams disagreed with the new owners on various issues and resurrected the NASL as a breakaway league. The USSF refused to sanction either league and told the parties involved to resolve their differences.

USSF president Sunil Gulati said that all owners (including the Vancouver ownership group, and representatives from both leagues worked around the clock, staying in constant communication to get the dispute resolved.

"What we were absolutely desperate to do, and we got done, was make sure that we had a Division Two in place for the start of the season," said Gulati.

"In a World Cup year, in a situation where the sport is building, it would be crazy not to get that done."

Lenarduzzi said he was thrilled, if not surprised, to hear the news. He called the move important not just for the Whitecaps, but also for the growth of soccer in North America.

He also said that the Whitecaps are considering maintaining a Division Two team following the jump to MLS.

Sports in brief

RED SOX Adrian Beltre and the Boston Red Sox have finalized a one-year contract that guarantees the third baseman $10 million US. Beltre gets $9 million this year, and the deal includes a $5-million player option for 2011 with a $1-million buyout.

CFL Saskatchewan Roughrider fans waiting to hear about whether general manager Eric Tillman has a future with the CFL team will soon get their answer. Rider spokesman Ryan Whippler says the team will announce its decision Friday, although no time has yet been set for a news conference.

FOOTBALL The Grey Cup-champion Montreal Alouettes have a huge hole to fill this off-season. Kick-returner Larry Taylor, the CFL's top special-teams player in 2009, was one of four players to sign with the NFL's New York Jets on Thursday. Taylor had a CFL-high 788 punt-return yards on 89 returns last year. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Luongo blanks Coyotes

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Coyotes 0 Canucks 4

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Alex Burrows recorded his second straight hat trick and Roberto Luongo made 31 saves for his 50th career shut out as the Vancouver Canucks blanked the Phoenix Coyotes 4-0 on Thursday night.

Henrik Sedin assisted on all three Burrows goals to move into sole possession of the NHL scoring lead, moving three points clear of San Jose's Joe Thornton.

It's the first time a Canuck has held top spot since Markus Naslund was tied with Robert Lang, now with Phoenix, on Feb. 18, 2004.

Mikael Samuelsson also scored for the Canucks (27-16-1) as they posted their fourth straight win and 11th in the past 14 games. Vancouver moved into a tie with Calgary for first place in the Northwest Division while the Coyotes dropped to 26-15-4.

It was Luongo's third shutout of the season. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Vancouver's Mikael Samuelsson, right, reaches for Phoenix Coyote Keith Yandle on Thursday.

Alabama on top after BCS win

BCS CHAMPIONSHIP

Alabama 37 Texas 21

FOOTBALL Alabama is on top of college football again, thanks to its big-play defence and punishing ground game.

The No. 1 Crimson Tide held off a rally by second-ranked Texas and beat the Longhorns 37-21 on Thursday night in the BCS title game with help from a late fumble recovery by Courtney Upshaw at the Texas 3-yard line.

Heisman Trophy winner Mark Ingram then scored a clinching touchdown from one yard out with just more than two minutes left in the game.

Alabama's Marcell Dareus knocked out Texas quarterback Colt McCoy on the Longhorns' first possession and later scored on a 28-yard interception return just before halftime. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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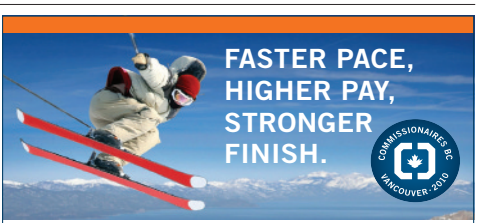

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Omischl sits out

Steve Omischl will sit out this weekend's World Cup freestyle aerials event after consulting with team doctors following a mild concussion he suffered during a training session last week. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Vancouver Games

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Expectations will be massive for Canadians

At the World Junior hockey final this week we saw a glimpse of the kind of expectations Canadian athletes will face at the rapidly approaching home Olympics.

Pressure is a demon that needs to be dealt with.

Real or imagined, anytime a significant number of Canadians wrap themselves in the flag and attach themselves to the fortunes of athletes who wear the Maple Leaf, huge pressure ensues. You could see it tattooed on the faces of the young men who fell to the United States thus halting a hockey run of dynastic proportions.

Scott Moir, a Canadian gold medal hopeful in figure skating with his partner Tessa Virtue, watched the game in Ann Arbor, Mich., beside his rival and training mate, American Charlie White, a man who had narrowly beaten him at the recent Grand Prix Final in Tokyo — the major international tune-up prior to the Olympics.

"The only thing worse than watching those guys' heartbreak was hearing Charlie's celebration," Moir reflected. "Pressure is not always an easy monster to tame."

So how will Moir, who is only 22, deal with the immensity of all those people counting on him to come through on Pacific Coliseum ice?

"I like to look the beast right in the eye," Moir explained. "That's the beauty of sport. I know I have done everything to prepare myself for that moment a million times over and I must execute. I will execute!"

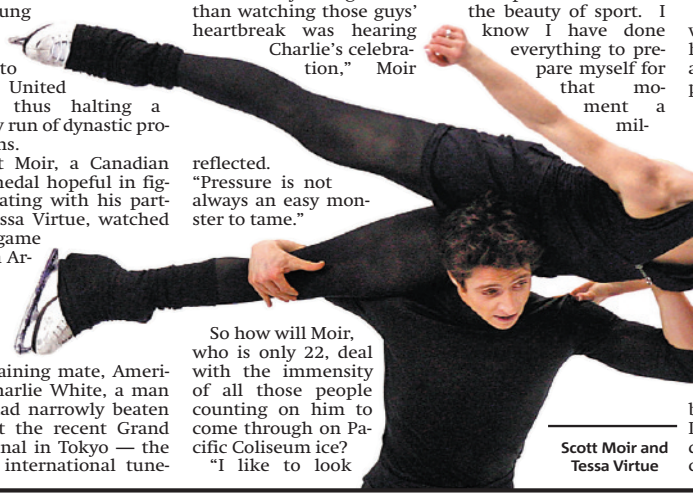
Perhaps comfort comes with an athlete knowing he or she has the talent and fitness to reach peak performance at the moment the competition occurs. It is also a matter of focus.

"Healthy experienced athletes that are favourites to win are typically immersed in process and not outcome," noted 1998 Olympic bobsleigh gold medallist, Dave MacEachern. "Confidence from past success creates a great place to hide when the heat gets turned up at big events."

For the more than 200 athletes who will fly Canadian colours at home in Vancouver and Whistler there is another consideration. As it was with the junior hockey team in Saskatoon, somebody from another country might be better qualified to win.

"For the record, I think the Canadian juniors lost to a team with superior speed and defence, not because of pressure," MacEachern said.

Sometimes the pressure monster isn't the one Olympians should fear most.



Scott Moir and Tessa Virtue

Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. He has covered professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

NFLer goes from blocks to rocks

"I look forward to going to the Olympics and being an honorary captain (of the U.S. men's curling team)." Vernon Davis

Vernon Davis is headed to his first Pro Bowl and his first Olympics, too.

The star San Francisco 49ers tight end will be an honorary captain for the U.S. men's curling team next month at the Vancouver Olympics. The opportunity came about after Davis gave curling a try in November and loved it.

"I'm excited for the opportunity. It's quite an honour," Davis said Thursday. "I look forward to going to the Olympics and being an honorary captain. And I look forward to learning more and meeting those guys and finding out what their practice is like."

Davis, who last Sunday tied Antonio Gates' NFL record for touchdowns by a tight end with 13, shot several curling public service announcements this week.

Those PSAs will be used at curling clubs around the country to help promote the sport's growth.

Canada boasts about one million curlers, to only around 15,000 in the United States. The number of club curlers around the U.S. has grown significantly since the 2006 Turin Olympics, and the hope is there will be another boom after these Winter Olympics.

"We're definitely honoured to have someone of his talent stepping out of his normal space on the football field to help support the sport of curling," Rick Patzke, USA Curling's chief operating officer, said in a phone interview Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Eddie the Eagle carries torch in Winnipeg

Former Olympic folk hero Eddie (the Eagle) Edwards flew down Winnipeg streets this morning.

The British ski jumper who gained a cult following during the 1988 Calgary Olympics — despite coming in dead last — carried the torch for several blocks in frigid weather, as people honked their horns and shouted encouragement.

Edwards says carrying the torch was "almost as good" as jumping in Calgary more than two decades ago. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Torchbearer Eddie Edwards smiles for media as he passes along the Olympic flame to Jennine Thaddeus after he finished carrying the torch in Winnipeg on Thursday.

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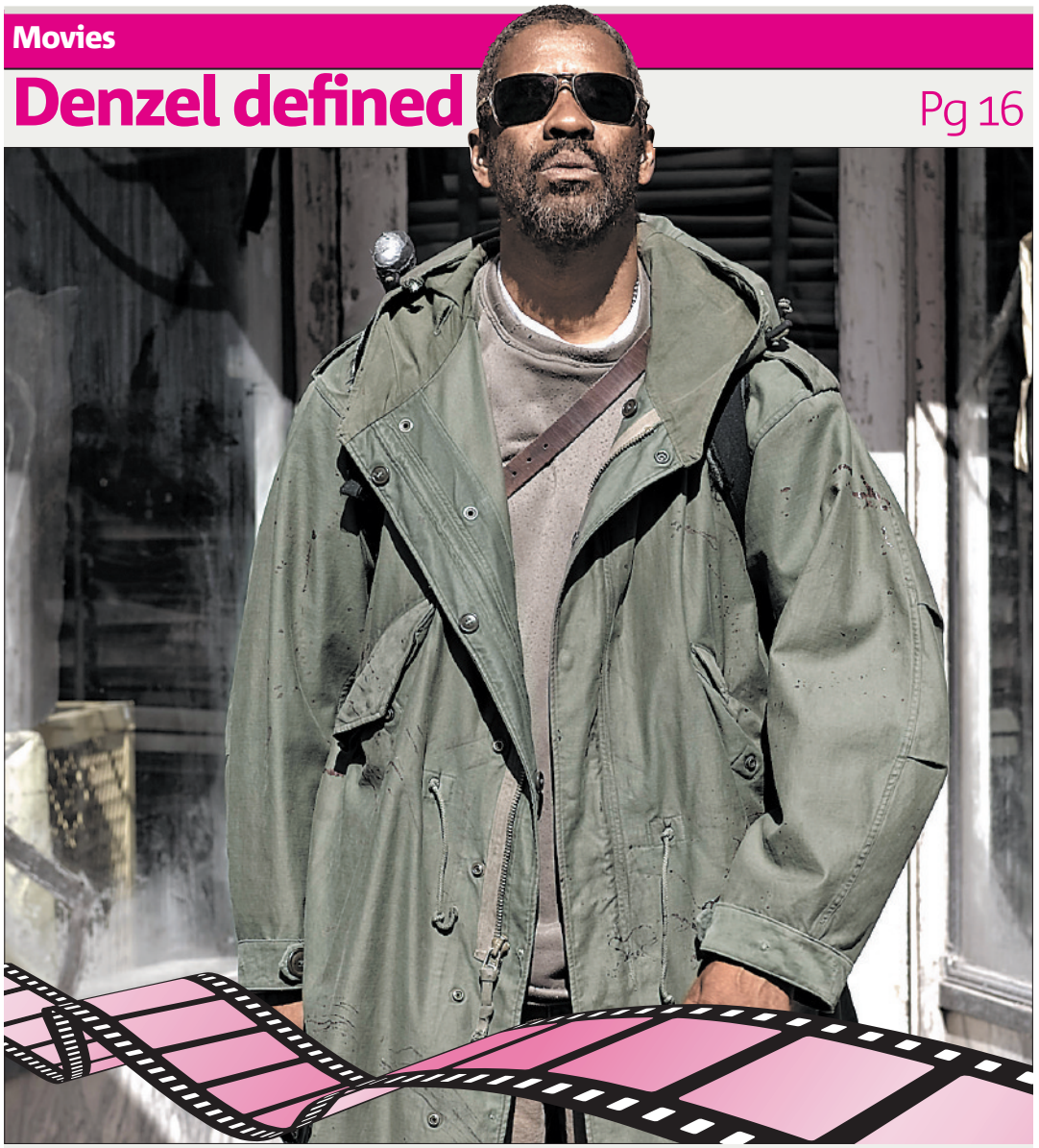

Oscar-winning actor Denzel Washington is a force to be reckoned with in his new action flick, The Book of Eli.

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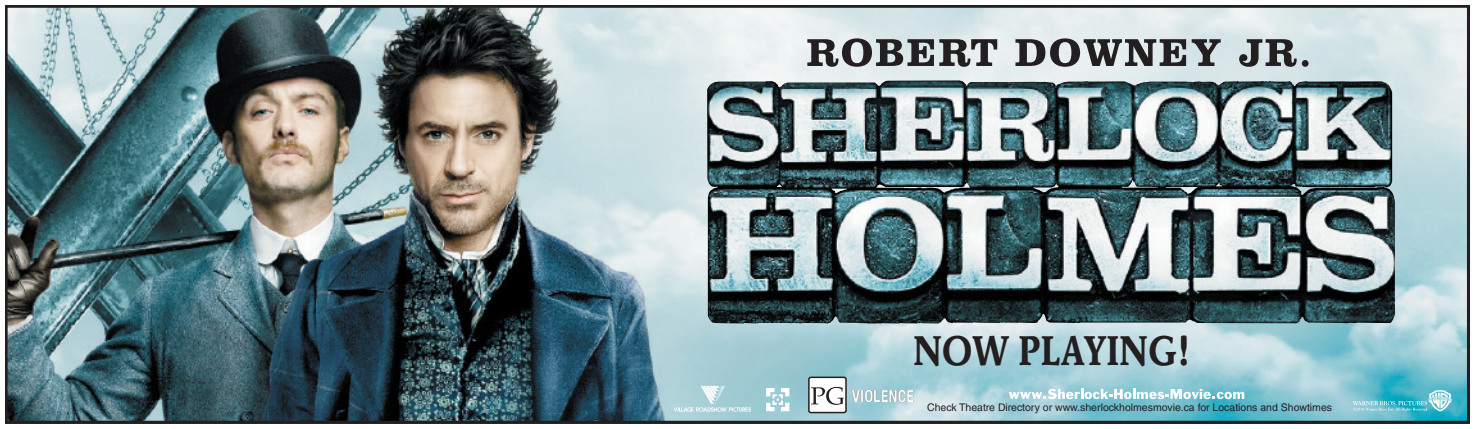

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Denzel gets tough in Book of Eli

Movie **feature**

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

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Denzel Washington sharpened his combat skills for his latest film, The Book of Eli. It is in theatres next week.

Although his thriller follows the current trend of post-apocalyptic tales, don't draw comparisons between futuristic dystopian dramas like The Road and Denzel Washington's latest film, The Book of Eli.

Not directly to Mr. Washington anyhow.

"Actually (The Road) was supposed to come out a year ago," defended the legendary actor with a chuckle during a recent interview. "I wouldn't categorize (The Book of Eli). (People) have a desire to do that so they say 'post-apocalyptic action' but I think a spiritual film. That's what's interesting about it, I think it's a lot of things."

The Book of Eli hits theatres next week

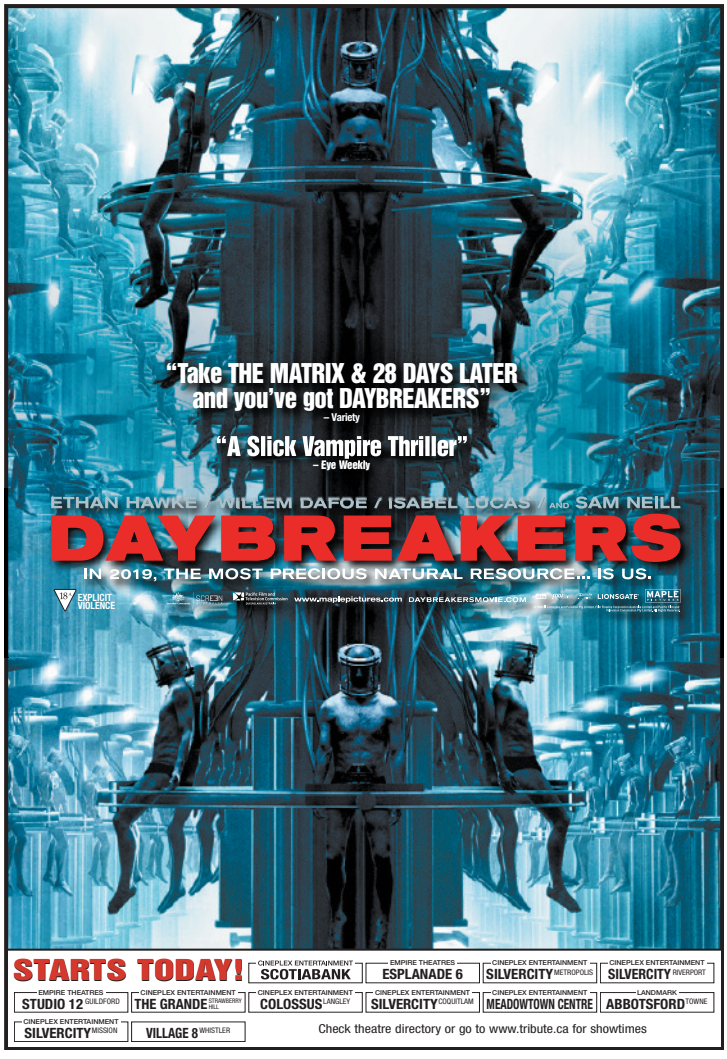
Whatever it is, The Book of Eli marks not just the Oscar winner's latest foray into the action genre but it's also one of the 55-year old actor's most strenuous roles — playing a fist-fighting drifter who travels across desolate badlands protecting a cherished book from weapon-wielding thieves and criminals.

"I have a great job in that I get to step into all these different worlds and so I really enjoyed it. I mean I really need to continue to do that kind of work and stretch — stretching is key at my age," said Washington. "Life is short, life's no joke … it makes me want for rich experiences and I thought that this was a very unusual part to play and it allowed me to dabble in the spiritual world and the martial arts world."

One of the ways in which Washington did stretch was sharpening his combat skills. But while tutoring under such martial artists as Bruce Lee-disciple Dan Inosanto helped him prepare for the part, the boxing experience he gained from his Oscar-nominated role in 1999's The Hurricane also proved an additional benefit.

"Because of boxing, I was comfortable with fighting — although you do some things in martial arts that are completely the opposite of boxing," said the actor insisting what he mainly learned from martial arts was to "leave people alone" because you never know who they really are — a moral that applies to the film itself.

"The littlest, most unassuming person (can be) a killer," Washington insisted.



Alter ego a step forward

Youth In Revolt
Director: Miguel Arteta
Stars: Michael Cera, Fred Willard
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●½

RICHARD CROUSE
for Metro Canada

Michael Cera, right, expands his range in Youth In Revolt.

REVIEW Youth in Revolt is the new Ferris Bueller's Day Off. It's a film about the benefits of behaving badly and, like the famous 1986 John Hughes movie, it is headlined by an actor who brings charm and wit to the role of the rebel.

Hoodie heartthrob Michael Cera plays fourteen-year-old Nick Twisp, a mild mannered collection of raging hormones and quirky personality traits. He loves Sinatra and foreign films. When his family relocates to a Christian trailer park he meets his dream girl, Sheeni Saunders (Portia Doubleday), a similarly anachronistic teenager with a taste for anything French and a dream of being swept off her feet by a bad boy named Francois.

When circumstance steps in to keep them apart he (with the help of an imaginary friend named Francois Dillinger) reverses his goody-two-shoes image and becomes a rebel with a cause — he wants to impress her.

Cera has a corner on the awkward by coming-of-age movie, and as Twisp he doesn't do anything he didn't do in Juno or Superbad, but he's charming and easy to watch. His work takes on a different dimension, however, when he slips into alter ego mode.

As the mustachioed Francois he's a refugee from a Belmondo film, equipped with a cigarette, and too tight white trousers. It's not often that an actor gets to show his range playing two characters in one film, but this is a step forward for Cera, who has been locked into the wisecracking virgin stereotype since he left the small screen's Arrested Development, grew some peach fuzz and started chasing girls on the big screen.

The supporting cast, made up of reliable old pros like Fred Willard and Steve Buscemi, do good work, but the movie wouldn't work if Sheeni wasn't the kind of girl worth throwing your life away for. In the excellently named Portia Doubleday, Youth in Revolt finds a newcomer with charisma to burn. Youth in Revolt's main strengths are its actors.

- For Youth In Revolt photos, a trailer and screen times — or to buy tickets — visit metronews.ca/movies

Tom not starring with Taylor
Tom Cruise will not be costarring in the forthcoming Taylor Lautner action flick Northern Lights. The film is about a young aerobatics pilot and will be directed by John Moore (Max Payne). Production begins this April in Louisiana. EW.COM

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Amy Adams' worst movie

Leap Year

Director: Anand Tucker
Stars: Amy Adams, Matthew Goode, John Lithgow
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Amy Adams stars in Leap Year.

REVIEW It's common knowledge that Amy Adams is quite a talented actress. Some might point to her Oscar nominations as proof, but the best evidence of her skills just might be Leap Year.

It's not that Leap Year is Amy Adams' best film, in fact it's probably her worst film.

It's just that her character is so shrill, shallow, and one-dimensional that she should be loathsome.

Yet Adams somehow makes you care about the character by fully committing.

Too bad that Leap Year's screenplay is so tired and drawn out that no actress could possibly save it.

Amy Adams stars as a fast talking materialistic Bostonian obsessed with getting the right apartment and getting engaged. When her long-term boyfriend goes on a trip to Dublin in late February, Adams learns of an Irish tradition in which women propose to men on leap year and decides to fly out to pop the question.

Of course, she gets delayed and is forced to ask a rugged small town Irish man (Matthew Goode) to take her to Dublin.

Throw in a supporting cast of Irish stereotypes, awkward pacing, and a completely unmotivated love story and you've got a big ol' mess of a movie. Adams and Goode do make a cute couple, but it all goes to waste on a story and jokes that were out of date decades ago.

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Director hints at gov't interference in film fest

FILM A Chinese director whose movie was pulled from an American film festival as part of a boycott over the screening of a documentary about the Dalai Lama said Thursday he accepted the decision — but hinted he was under pressure to toe the government line.

The Palm Springs International Film Festival said in a statement posted on its Web site Wednesday that Chinese film authorities pulled Lu Chuan's City of Life and Death and the comedy Quick, Quick, Slow from the event. Organizers said the Chinese acted after they refused Beijing's request they drop the documentary The Sun Behind the Clouds: Tibet's Struggle for Freedom.China considers the Dalai Lama a "splittist" seeking formal independence for Tibet, which Beijing says has been Chinese territory for centuries. The Dalai Lama says he seeks only a high level of autonomy under Chinese rule for the Himalayan region, although many of his supporters say Tibet was effectively an independent country for most of its history.

Lu told The Associated Press in a phone interview Thursday that he accepted the Chinese government's decision — but hinted he wasn't able to speak freely because of political pressure. The director, a rising star in China, initially declined to be interviewed at all. "This interview is too sensitive. It's not very appropriate for me to do it," Lu said.

When pressed, he said he "unconditionally accepted" the decision to withdraw his movie.

"This incident involves national interests. National interests trump everything," Lu said.

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ScarJo to hit Broadway

Starting Jan. 24, Scarlett Johansson and Broadway vet Liev Schreiber will take to Broadway's stage in Arthur Miller's 1955 play, A View From the Bridge. Schreiber plays Eddie Carbone, a longshoreman from Brooklyn obsessed with his niece, played by Johansson. EW.COM

Reel Time

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Yoo-Hoo Mrs. Goldberg a touching love letter

Yoo-Hoo Mrs. Goldberg

Director: Aviva Kemper
Stars: Gertrude Berg, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Norman Lear
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●½

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Gertrude Berg was the Oprah Winfrey of her time. The woman wrote, produced, and starred in one of the most popular radios shows of the '30s before taking it to television and essentially inventing the TV sitcom.

She was one of the biggest stars in the world and created a media empire. Unfortunately, you've probably never heard of her.

Given her massive fame and importance to the history of television, Gertrude Berg should be remembered as fondly as Lucille Ball and yet she has all but disappeared.

That's where the new documentary Yoo-Hoo Mrs. Goldberg comes in.

Director Aviva Kempner has made a career out of creating documentaries that shift the spotlight to underappreciated Jewish cultural icons (perhaps best known for the award-winning The Life And Times Of Hank Greenberg). Yoo-Hoo Mrs. Goldberg follows the loose structure of her previous work, examining the life of Gertrude Berg through archival footage and interviews with living relatives and experts in the field.

Best known for the sitcom The Goldbergs about a lower class Jewish family sharing an apartment in New York (everything from The Honeymooners to Seinfeld stole a little from the format she created), the writer/actress struggled her way to the top through hard work, was a figurehead for female independence, and fought the blacklist.

Yoo-Hoo Mrs. Goldberg is a charming and enlightening documentary that does a good job of showcasing Gertrude Berg's life, work, and influence.

The film might feel a little slight, but that's entirely appropriate given that her achievements were in the field of light entertainment. Berg's involvement in the McCarthy era and the death of her blacklisted co-star gives the film a nice dramatic edge, but for the most part the movie is a touchingly nostalgic love letter.

Refreshing re-Vamp

Daybreakers

Director: The Spierig Brothers
Stars: Ethan Hawke, Willem Dafoe
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

Cinematic vampires are often depicted as either romantic, tragic immortals drifting through time, slave to their vice, or as slobbering, blood starved wraiths; both camps are present in Daybreakers, the latest horror movie from Aussie filmmakers The Spierig Brothers (Undead).

But, this movie is a mixed (body) bag, trying to have it all ways and ultimately biting off more than it can comfortably chew.

In an after dark world owned by plague carrying vampires, Ethan Hawke plays an undead hematologist with a conscience, trying to cure his brethren while sneering at their practice of farming what is left of the human race.

When, after a chance encounter saving a pack of persecuted mortals, he becomes embroiled in a plot to overthrow the fanged powers that be, he discovers that by exposing oneself to direct sunlight and bursting into flames — or "daybreaking" — vampirism can be conquered.

Along with resistance leader and reformed ghoul Elvis (the ubiquitous Willem Dafoe), his first order of business is to lock horns with the diabolical head of his pharmaceutical employer (Sam Neill, whose welcome onscreen presence is squandered here in a thankless role that requires him to shuffle papers and look concerned) and heal the world without the aid of human experiments. Meanwhile, a pack of blood starved "have-not" vamps are turning into bat like monsters, hell bent on feeding on man and ghoul alike.

Ethan Hawke doesn't suck in the vampire movie Daybreakers.

Boasting a great pulpy premise, a nifty neo-noir look and a handful of jaw dropping, brilliantly revolting set pieces, Daybreakers has all its ducks in the right place.

It's a real shame then, when after a fantastic first half hour, the film falls apart, settling into conventional, tedious Underworld/Matrix dystopian cliché garble and worse, attempting to elicit big emotional responses to half baked characters and silly, heavy handed allegorical situations.

Brilliant prosthetic special effects however and in a genre where remakes and sequels are the order of the day, Daybreakers is refreshingly original.

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Youth In Revolt (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-7:20-9:50

TINSELTOWN
International Village, 88 West Pender, 3rd floor, 604-806-0799
cinemark.com

3 Idiots (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 2:25-6:10-9:45
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri-Thu 12:10-2:35-4:50-7:25-9:35
Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:05-2:30-4:55-7:20-9:55 No Passes Wed 12:05-2:30-9:55 No Passes Thu 12:05-2:30-4:55-7:20-9:55
Fantastic Mr. Fox (G) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:30-5:40-7:55-10:05
The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-7-9:50
Invictus (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:10
It's Complicated (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-2:15-3:40-5:05-6:25-7:45-9:10-10:25
Leap Year (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:20-4:45-7:05-9:30
Nine (PG) Fri-Thu 12:25-1:50-3:25-4:40-7:30-10:15
Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:50-5:25-8-10:30
The Road (14A) Fri-Thu 7:40-10:20

VANCITY THEATRE
Vancouver International Film Centre
1181 Seymour Street, 604-683-Film
vifc.org

Alice in Wonderland (STC) Sun 2:30
Punishment Park (STC) Fri 6:30 Sat 6:45 Sun 7 Mon 8:15 Tue 6:30 Wed 8:15 Thu 6:30
The Yes Men Fix the World (G) Fri 8:15 Sat 5-8:30 Sun 5 Mon 6:30 Tue 8:15 Wed 6:30 Thu 8:15

VAN EAST CINEMA
2290 Commercial Drive, 604-251-1313
vaneast.com

Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Sun 4:30-7-9:30 Mon-Wed 7-9:30 Thu 7

NORTH SHORE

ESPLANADE 6
200 West Esplanade, 604-983-2762

Daybreakers (18A) Fri 7:40-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:15-7:40-10:10 Mon-Thu 7:40-10:10
Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG) Fri-Thu 9:40
Invictus (PG) Fri 6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 6:30-9:30
The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri 7:15 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:20-7:15 Mon-Thu 7:15
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 7-9:50 Sat-Sun 1-4-7-9:50 Mon-Thu 7-9:50
Up in the Air (PG) Fri 7:30-10 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 7:30-10
Youth In Revolt (14A) Fri 6:40-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:15-3:40-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:20

PARK & TILFORD
333 Brooksbank Ave., 604-985-3911

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) No Passes Fri 7:10-9:50 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:20-2:30-4:45-7:10-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:10-9:50
Avatar (14A) No Passes Fri 8 No Passes Sat 4:30-8 No Passes Sun 1-4:30-8 No Passes Mon-Tue 8 No Passes Wed 9:30 No Passes Thu 8
Avatar 3D (14A) No Passes Fri 6:50-10:10 No Passes Sat-Sun 12-3:20-6:50-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:50-10:10
It's Complicated (PG) Fri 6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 6:30-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Leap Year (PG) No Passes Fri 7-10 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:10-3:10-7:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 7-10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
The Metropolitan Opera: Der Rosenkavalier (STC) Sat 10
Nine (PG) Fri 6:40-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:40

RICHMOND

RICHMOND CENTRE 6
6551 #3 Road, 604-273-7173

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) No Passes Fri 4:35-7:15-9:30 No Passes Sat 12:05-2:20-4:35-7:15-9:30 No Passes Sun 12:05-2:20-4:35-7:15 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:35-7:15
Avatar (14A) No Passes Fri 3:25-6:50-10:15 No Passes Sat 12:3-25-6:50-10:15 No Passes Sun 12:3-25-6:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:30-7:50
It's Complicated (PG) Fri 3:35-7:10-10 Sat 12:20-3:35-7:10-10 Sun 12:20-3:35-7:10 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:10
Leap Year (PG) No Passes Fri 3:45-7:20-9:50 No Passes Sat 12:25-3:45-7:20-9:50 No Passes Sun 12:25-3:45-7:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:40-7:20
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 3:40-7:05-10:05 Sat 12:15-3:40-7:05-10:05 Sun 12:15-3:40-7:05 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:05
The Young Victoria (G) Fri 3:50-7-9:40 Sat 12:10-3:50-7-9:40 Sun 12:10-3:50-7 Mon-Thu 4:20-7

SILVERCITY RIVERPORT
14211 Entertainment Way, 604-272-7280

2012 (PG) Fri-Thu 3:05-9:30
3 Idiots (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-5:05-9:05
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11-12:45-1:30-3:30-4:15-6:30-9
Avatar 3D (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11-11:15-2:45-3:15-6:35-6:55-10:15-10:35
Avatar: An IMAX 3D Experience (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-3-6:30-10
The Blind Side (PG) Fri 11:50-3:20-6:35-10:05 Sat 3:20-6:35-10:05 Sun-Thu 11:50-3:20-6:35-10:05
Daybreakers (18A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:40-10:25
Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG) Fri-Thu 12-6:40
The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Fri-Thu 11:45-3-6:25-9:45
Invictus (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:45-6:55-10:15
It's Complicated (PG) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:50-7:05-10:30
Leap Year (PG) No Passes Fri-Wed 1-4:10-7:10-10:10 No Passes Thu 4:10-7:10-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
The Metropolitan Opera: Der Rosenkavalier (STC) Sat 10
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The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Thu 12:55-4:05-7-9:50
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:35-6:45-7:15-10:10:30
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri 12:35-4-7:30-10:35 Sat 4-7:30-10:35 Sun-Thu 12:35-4-7:30-10:35
Up in the Air (PG) Fri-Wed 12:50-3:55-6:55-10:15 Thu 3:55-6:55-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Youth In Revolt (14A) Fri-Thu 12:10-4:30-7:35-10:20

BURNABY

DOLPHIN CINEMAS
4555 E. Hastings St., 604-293-0332

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 7-9 Sat-Sun 1-3-5-7-9 Mon-Thu 7-9
Avatar (14A) Fri 6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 3:15-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 6:30-9:30

SILVERCITY METROPOLIS
4700 Kingsway Ave., 604-435-7474

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) No Passes Fri 11:10-11:40-1:40-2:10-3:55-4:40-7:15-9:40 No Passes Sat 11:40-2:10-3:55-4:40-7:15-9:40 No Passes Sun-Thu 11:10-11:40-1:40-2:10-3:55-4:40-7:15-9:40
Avatar (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 6:50-10:30
Avatar 3D (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:15-11:45-2:50-3:20-6:30-7:10-10:15-10:45
Daybreakers (18A) Fri-Thu 11:30-2:15-4:50-7:35-10:35
It's Complicated (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-4-7:40-10:50
The Metropolitan Opera: Der Rosenkavalier (STC) Sat 10
Nine (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-7:10:05
The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Thu 11:20-1:45-4:15-6:45-9:30
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Tue 12:15-3:40-7:20-10:40 Wed 7:20-10:40 Thu 12:15-3:40-7:20-10:40
Up in the Air (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:50-7:30-10:30

STATION SQUARE
220-6200 McKay Ave., 604-434-7711

2012 (PG) Fri 4:15-7:35-10:45 Sat 1-4:15-7:35-10:45 Sun 1-4:15-7:35 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:35
The Blind Side (PG) Fri 4:10-7:10-10:10 Sat 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:10
Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG) Fri-Sat 10:35 Sun-Thu 7:40
Fantastic Mr. Fox (G) Fri 4:35-7:40 Sat 1:35-4:35-7:40 Sun 1:35-4:35 Mon-Thu 4:35
Invictus (PG) Fri 4:05-7:05-10:05 Sat 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05 Sun 1:05-4:05-7:05 Mon-Thu 4:05-7:05
Leap Year (PG) No Passes Fri 4:25-7:25-10:25 No Passes Sat 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 No Passes Sun 1:25-4:25-7:25 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:25-7:25
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri 4:20-7:20-10:20 Sat 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:20
Youth In Revolt (14A) Fri 4:30-7:30-10:30 Sat 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:30

NEW WEST/ COQUITLAM

SILVERCITY COQUITLAM
170 Schoolhouse Street, 604-523-2911

2012 (PG) Fri-Thu 11:45-3:15-7:05-10:35
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:35-12-1:55-2:25-4:20-4:55-7:25-9:50
Avatar (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:15-5-9:45
Avatar 3D (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12:15-3:10-4:15-7-8:15-10:45
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Daybreakers (18A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:40-7:30-10:20
Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:30-7:40-10:30
The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Fri-Thu 11:55-3:20-6:50-10:05
Invictus (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:35-6:50-10:10
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Nine (PG) Fri-Thu 12:05-3:05-7:35-10:40
The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Thu 11:45-2:15-4:45-7:15-10
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Thu 11:40-12:25-2:55-3:50-6:45-7:25-10:10:40
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri 12:05-3-6:40-9:55 Sat 3:40-6:40-9:55 Sun-Thu 12:05-3-6:40-9:55
Up in the Air (PG) Fri-Tue 12:45-3:45-7:15-10:15 Wed 3:50-7:15-10:15 Thu 12:45-3:45-7:15-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Young Victoria (G) Fri-Thu 7:10-10:25
Youth In Revolt (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-4:10-7-9:45

SURREY/WHITE ROCK/LANGLEY

CLOVA
5732-176th St., Surrey, 604-541-9527

The Blind Side (PG) Fri-Thu 7
Old Dogs (G) Sat-Sun 1:30
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri-Thu 9:25

HOLLYWOOD 3 CINEMA
7125-138th Street, Surrey, 604-592-4441

2012 (PG) Fri 6:30 Sat-Sun 12-6:30 Mon-Thu 6:30
The Blind Side (PG) Fri 6:45-9:15 Sat-Sun 2-6:45-9:15 Mon-Thu 6:45-9:15
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (G) Sat-Sun 12:15
Invictus (PG) Fri-Thu 8:55
Old Dogs (G) Fri 4:45 Sat-Sun 3-4:45 Mon-Thu 4:45
Planet 51 (G) Fri 4:45 Sat-Sun 12-4:45 Mon-Thu 4:45
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri 4:30-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 2-4:30-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-7-9:30

STRAWBERRY HILL GRANDE
12161-72nd Ave, Surrey, 604-501-9400

3 Idiots (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-4:10-6:45-8-10:30
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:20-4:40-7:10-9:30
Avatar (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4:50-9
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It's Complicated (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:40-6:55-9:40
Leap Year (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 1:20-4:15-7:15-9:45 No Passes Wed 4:15-7:15-9:45 No Passes Thu 1:20-4:15-7:15-9:45 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Thu 11:55-2:15-4:30
Pyaar Impossible (G) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:50-7:05-10:15
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-4-7:20-10:25
Up in the Air (PG) Fri-Tue 1:30-4:20-6:50-10 Wed 4:20-6:50-10 Thu 1:30-4:20-6:50-10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Youth In Revolt (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-7:25-9:50

STUDIO 12 GUILDFORD
15051-101st Ave, Surrey, 604-581-1176

3 Idiots (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4:45-8:30
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:15-3:30-6:50-10
Avatar 3D (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:3:35-5-7:45-9
Daybreakers (18A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:50-4:15-7:20-9:55
Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 9:40
The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:30-4:20-7:15-10:10
It's Complicated (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:55-3:55-6:45-9:35
Leap Year (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:35-4:10-6:55-9:50
The Princess and the Frog (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:25-3:50-7
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05
Up in the Air (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:20-3:40-6:40-9:30
Youth In Revolt (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:45-4-7:10-9:40

RIALTO
1732-152nd Street, White Rock, 604-541-9527, criteriontheatres.com

It's Complicated (PG) Fri 7-9:20 No Passes Sat-Sun 2-7-9:20 Mon-Thu 7-9:20
Up in the Air (PG) Fri 7:15-9:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 2:15-7:15-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:15-9:30

CRITERION 4 WHITE ROCK
2381 King George Highway, 604-531-7456, criteriontheatres.com

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) No Passes Fri 7:10-9 No Passes Sat-Sun 2:30-7:10-9 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:10-9
Avatar (14A) No Passes Fri 7:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 2-7:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:30
Leap Year (PG) Fri 7:20-9:25 Sat-Sun 2:20-7:20-9:25 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:25
Sherlock Holmes (PG) No Passes Fri 7-9:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 2:10-7-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 7-9:30

COLOSSUS LANGLEY
20090-91A Ave, Langley, 604-513-8747

2012 (PG) Fri 11:40-3:20-6:50-10:20 Sat 3:20-6:50-10:20 Sun 11:40-3:20-6:50-10:20 Mon-Thu 3:20-6:50-10:20
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Avatar: An IMAX 3D Experience (14A) No Passes Fri-Sun 11:30-3-6:30-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:30-7-10:30
The Blind Side (PG) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:50-7:10-10:20 Mon-Thu 3:50-7:10-10:20
Daybreakers (18A) Fri-Sun 1-4:10-7:40-10:30 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:40-10:30
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Invictus (PG) Fri-Sun 11:35-3:30-6:45-10:10 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:45-10:10
It's Complicated (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:45-6:55-9:55 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:55-9:55
Leap Year (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:20-4:25-7:35-10:25 No Passes Mon-Tue 4:25-7:35-10:25 No Passes Wed 7:35-10:25 No Passes Thu 4:25-7:35-10:25 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 3
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Old Dogs (G) Fri-Thu 9:55
The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Sun 12:55-4-6:50-9:30 Mon-Thu 4-6:50-9:30
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Sun 12:15-3:40-6:40-7:15-10:10:30 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:40-7:15-10:10:30
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Fri-Sun 12:25-3:50-7:10:15 Mon-Thu 3:50-7:10:15
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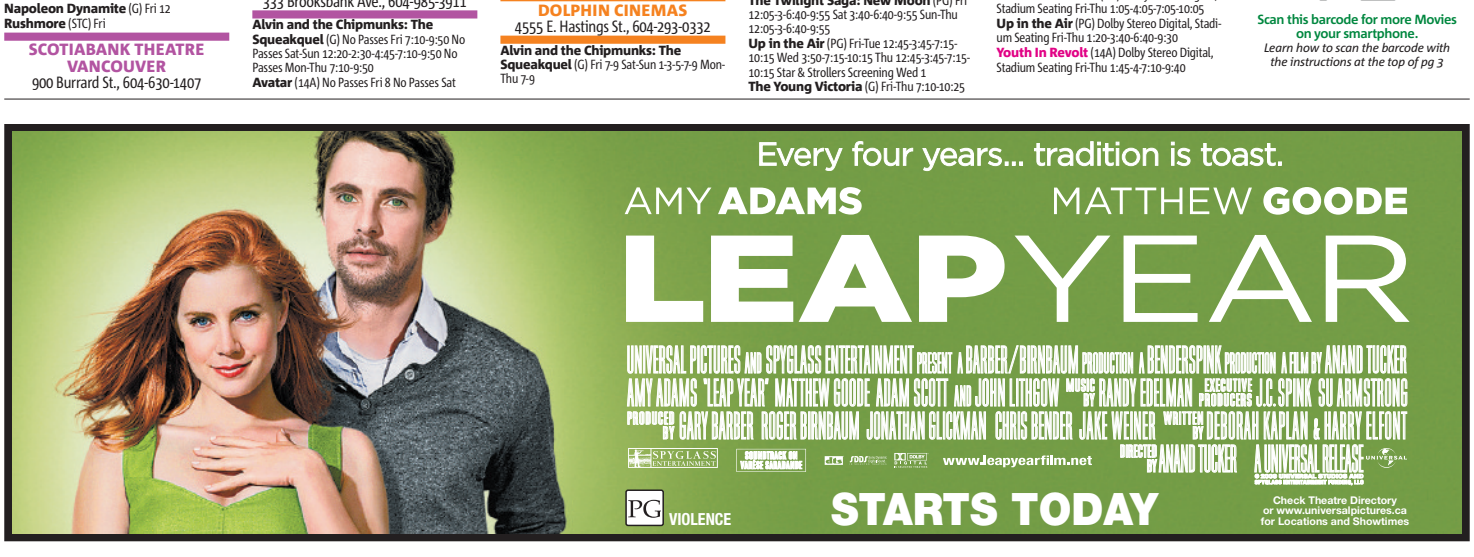

Billboard's top-selling albums
1. I Dreamed A Dream, Susan Boyle; 2. The Fame, Lady Gaga; 3. The Element of Freedom, Alicia Keys; 4. Stronger With Each Tear, Mary J. Blige; 5. Fearless, Taylor Swift. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

King tapped for concept album

NEW MUSIC Stephen King is a master at creating characters, but when Shooter Jennings came calling, the best-selling author decided to become one, playing a central figure in the musician's upcoming concept album, Black Ribbons.

King is the voice of Will O' The Wisp, a radio talk-show host being phased out due to censorship. He spends his last hour on the air delivering a diatribe about the decline of America, and playing the music of an important band — which happens to be Jennings' band, Hierophant.

"Once the idea of using him popped in my head, it kind of stayed and never varied," Jennings said.

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In brief

CHARTS The following is HMV Canada's top 10 CDs based on national sales for the week ending Jan. 9.

1. The Fame Monster, Lady Gaga
2. Animal, Ke$ha
3. I Dreamed a Dream, Susan Boyle
4. Element of Freedom, Alicia Keys
5. Relapse Refill, Eminem
6. Glee: Season One, The Music, Volume 2, Glee Cast
7. Much Dance 2010, Various Artists
8. Rated R, Rihanna
9. Shock Value II, Timbaland
10. Glee: Season One, The Music, Volume 1, Glee Cast

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What to expect in 2010

Drake, Jackson, Soundgarden among artists poised to make headlines

BRYAN BORZYKOWKI
for Metro Canada

A lot happened in the music world over the last 12 months, but 2010 is shaping up to be an even more eventful year.

It could be a big year for both downloading and record sales, while one Canadian rapper is poised to become the biggest artist in the world. Here are a few things you can expect in 2010:

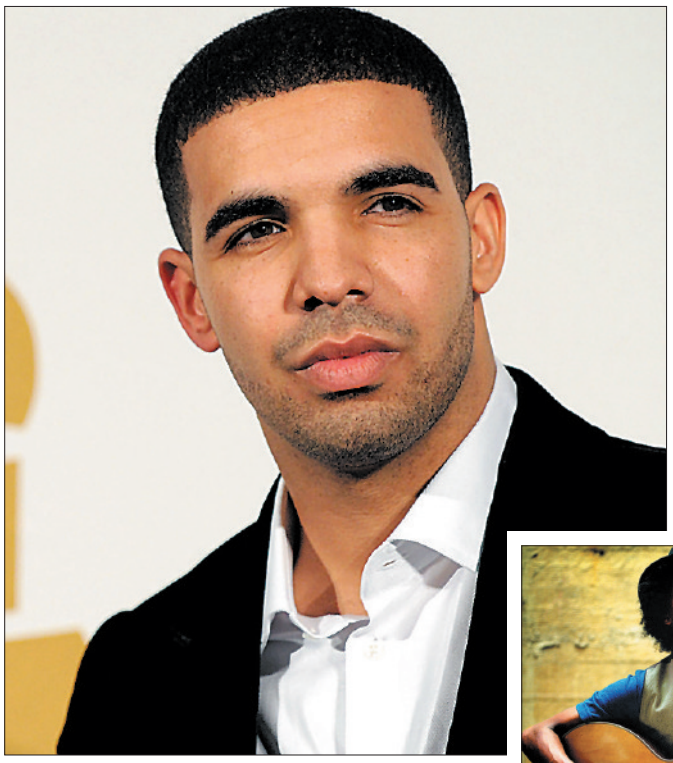
Michael Jackson's music: While Michael Jackson sold plenty of albums in 2009, his estate is sitting on an even larger goldmine. It's been reported that the King of Pop recorded about 100 songs that haven't been released. If we've learned anything from the myriad musicians who've met untimely deaths, it's that anything released posthumously sells extremely well. If this treasure trove of tunes really exists, the songs will likely be released over the next several years, but there's no doubt something will come out in 2010 — and sales will be through the roof.

Spotify: If you haven't heard of Spotify, you will soon. It's currently the most talked about music file sharing website on the planet and will likely be coming to Canada sometime this year. The site allows people to find any song they want and stream high-quality music. It's like Napster, but without the downloading. And it doesn't cost a cent. Users can pay for an ad-free version of the site, but they don't have to. It's already available overseas, but once it hits North American shores, iTunes can kiss its near-monopoly on digital music goodbye.

Soundgarden reunion: As exciting as the Stone Temple Pilots reunion was, every grunge loving 20-something has really been waiting for Soundgarden to re-form. Well, they got their wish — the band announced that, after 12 years apart, they will play some dates this year, though when or where has yet to be confirmed.

Olympics: The Olympics are, obviously, all about the athletes. But it's the many musicians who will be playing various shows around Vancouver and Whistler who will really make attending the games worthwhile. The list of performers is extensive, but it includes K'Naan, Bell Orchestre, Hawksley Workman, Broken Social Scene and Tegan and Sara.

Drake: Toronto wonder boy Drake had a stellar 2009, but with his first studio full-length hitting shelves in March he's about to become a bona fide superstar. The former Degrassi actor teams up with Jay-Z on parts of Thank Me Later and with the cred that being Lil Wayne's pet project brings, there's no way Drake can't have a remarkable 2010.



Toronto rapper Drake, above, could very well become a star this year, while Soundgarden frontman Chris Cornell, top right, says his band is getting back together. Meanwhile, K'Naan, right, is one of several musicians playing the Vancouver Olympics.

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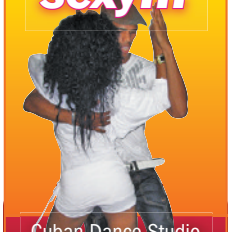

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Television

The year in new music

Vampire Weekend's Contra will be out next week.

SoundCheck

As we try to come to a consensus on how to pronounce this year ("Twenty-ten?" "Two thousand and ten?"), here's a fast preview of some of the music we'll see in the coming months.

January-February: Hipster bloggers are most interested in Vampire Weekend's second album, Contra (Tuesday). Meanwhile, Finnish melodic metal band HIM is hoping that their new album Screamworks: Love in Theory and Practice (Feb 9) will be their North American breakthrough.

March: I'm most interested in Broken Bells, a collaboration between Danger Mouse (Gnarls Barkley, Beck, Gorillaz) and James Mercer of the Shins (March 9). Canada's supergroup Crash Karma (featuring ex members of OLP, I Mother Earth and the Tea Party) had a top ten single in Awake before (a) they had a record deal; and (b) before they had an album. I've heard a chunk of this stuff and it's very good. A debut album will be out March 10. My Chemical Romance will have a yet-as-untitled album in stores March 30. Watch for a single in the coming weeks.

April: The Deftones have two albums in the pipeline, one of which is called Eros, but it's been shelved since a car accident sent bass player Chi Cheng into a coma. A new Chi-less CD — no title yet — is on the schedule for April 26.

May: Broken Social Scene has promised to release a new CD.

The rest: Now that Adam Yauch's cancer is under control, the Beastie Boys will finally get around to releasing Hot Sauce Committee Part II in the coming months ... I'm convinced there will be a new U2 studio album before the next leg of the U2:360 tour kicks off in the spring. Rumours are it'll be called Songs of Ascent, but there's no indication on what approach they've taken ... Gaslight Anthem will follow up the excellent The '59 Sound with a new record in June ... There should be a second album from Jack White and the Dead Weather this summer ... Linkin Park is readying their fourth album for release this fall ... MGMT's second album will be called Congratulations and should be out in the third quarter ... Finger 11 is working on their sixth album for release before the end of the year ... A new STP record? Believe it ... The Strokes? Apparently, but we don't know when.

Also coming in 2010: Godsmack, Gorillaz, Jimmy Eat World, Kid Rock and Seether.

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Swift has year's bestselling album

Susan Boyle put up a strong challenge but Taylor Swift ended 2009 with the year's bestselling album.

Nielsen SoundScan, which tracks the nation's album sales, says Swift's Fearless sold 3.2 million copies last year. It was released in late 2008. Boyle's I Dreamed a Dream sold 3.1 million copies — and it only came out in late November.

Michael Jackson's Number Ones was No. 3 with 2.3 million sold. The Fame by Lady Gaga was No. 4 with 2.2 million copies and Andrea Bocelli's My Christmas also sold about 2.2 million copies to come in at No. 5.

Jackson was the year's top artist, selling 8.2 million records to Swift's 4.6 million.

Music sales overall were up 2.1 per cent from 2008, but album sales continued their decline, down 12.7 per cent. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Barenaked Ladies, Page to drop new albums

NEW MUSIC The time is apparently now for the Barenaked Ladies.

The Toronto pop band has announced that All in Good Time, their 11th studio album — and first without founding member Steven Page — will be released on March 23.

First single You Run Away will hit radio this month.

Page, meanwhile, has been busy since leaving the band in February.

His album with the Art of Time Ensemble, titled A Singer Must Die, hits stores on Feb. 16 with a 12-date tour following on Feb. 24.

A Page solo album is to be released later this year.

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Avril Lavigne will be Idol judge

Newly single Avril Lavigne will be among the guest judges who appear on the new season of American Idol. The singer joins the rest of the judging panel during auditions in L.A. Her episode airs Jan. 27. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Television

Shawn Ashmore, left, Mayko Nguyen and Byron Mann star in Bloodletting and Miraculous Cures.

Series brings Lam's young doctors to TV

Vincent Lam compares watching the TV version of his Giller Prize-winning novel Bloodletting & Miraculous Cures to looking at a can of soup. Say what?

"It's like when Andy Warhol did a painting of a can of soup," explains the author/doctor. "And you know it's a can of soup. You recognize it as a can of soup. Bit it's different — it changes when it's fleshed out in a different visual form."

Okay. But did Lam like it? Was this eight-hour version of his tale of three young doctors everything he hoped for?

"It was. I knew with the changes in formats, there would be differences in story-telling," says the Toronto-based Lam.

"My hope from the get-go was that it'd be true to the spirit of the book — to bring forth these human beings who are trying to do good. And I think if you really want to know how doctors live and work, you'll find this satisfying."

The miniseries centres on three conflicted doctors — Fitz (Shawn Ashmore), Ming (Mayko Nguyen) and Chen (Byron Mann) — whose complicate friendship (romantic and otherwise) proves a distraction to their jobs as doctors.

In telling its story, Bloodletting jumps from the three characters' days in medical school to a present-day emergency room, revealing a triangular relationship that's anything but simple.

"In the first episode, you see the beginning of their story and the end. And the rest of the series sort of fills in the middle," says Ashmore (X-Men, Terry). "It's a great tool to jump around because it allows you to see in the past, then immediately see what that leads to 10 years later."

Ashmore says having Lam's book as a guide was a real plus to his performance.

"I read the book before the scripts so I'd have an idea what I was walking into. And yet there were also certain elements in the book I explored in my performance — these experiences that you could use in the character."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Bloodletting

• Bloodletting & Miraculous Cures premieres on HBo-Canada Sunday night.

"My hope from the get-go was that it'd be true to the spirit of the book — to bring forth these human beings who are trying to do good."
Vincent Lam

FRIDAY 1/8/10

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3 CBC	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	Rick Mercer	Marketplace	CBC News: the fifth estate		CBC News: The National (N)		The Hour (N)
	250	321	9 CTV	etalk (CC)	Access H.	Ghost Whisperer "Dead Air"		Medium (N) (CC)		Flashpoint "Aisle 13" (CC)		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	Dollhouse "Getting Closer"		Shark Tank (CC)		NUMB3RS "Scratch" (N)		News
	256	389	12 VI	Degrassi	TMZ (N)	Wall of Secrets (2003, Suspense) Nicole Eggert. (CC)				Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	A News (N)
	253	359	13 CITY	Murdoch Mysteries		Supernanny "Benton Family"		Mantracker	Mantracker	The Jay Leno Show (N)		The CityNews
	-	-	14 CW	The Office	The Office	Smallville "Roulette" (CC)		Smallville "Crossfire" (CC)		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15 CBS	Entertainment	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer "Dead Air"		Medium (N) (CC)		NUMB3RS "Scratch" (N)		KIRO 7 News
	287	379	16 NBC	Evening Mag.	Inside Edition	Dateline NBC (CC)				The Jay Leno Show (N)		KING 5 News
	288	380	24 ABC	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	Supernanny "Benton Family"		Shark Tank (CC)		20/20 (N) (CC)		News
	290	382	28 FOX	Two Men	Two Men	Bones Block party. (CC)		Dollhouse "Getting Closer"		News	Most Wanted	Family Guy
news	502	390	26 NW	Doc Zone "Porndemic"		CBC News: The National (N)		CBC News: The National (N)		Doc Zone "Porndemic"		National
	500	500	63 CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)		Cooper 360
sports	407	419	22 RSP	Snowboarding		Hockey	The Ultimate Fighter		MMA Conn	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	SportsCentre	Hockey	SportsCentre	Off-Record	Boxing Dionsio Miranda vs. Roman Karmazin. (Taped)				SportsCentre
family	552	543	25 YTV	iCarly "iGo to Japan" (CC)			iCarly (CC)	That's-Weird	Fries That?	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol
	555	545	50 TEL	Batman	Wolverine	Justice	Star Wars	Futurama	King of Hill	Titan A.E. ★★★ (2000) Bill Pullman (CC)		
	268	354	5 KNO	Wolves of Labrador (CC)		Poirot "The ABC Murders" (N) (CC)				Picture of Light The Northern Lights. (CC)		
	575	583	20 CMT	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	CMT Greatest: Duet Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Reba (CC)	Reba (CC)	Jim
	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal Minds "Plain Sight"		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal
	521	560	34 TLC	Dress	Dress	What Not to Wear (CC)		Dress	Dress	What Not to Wear "Holly"		What Not
cable variety	616	522	33 SHO	Relic Hunter (CC)		Alice (2009) (Part 1 of 2) Caterina Scorsone. (CC)				Kenny vs.	Kenny	Trailer Park
	294	650	57 TBS	(6:00) Mr. Deeds ★ (2002)		Funny Show	Bewitched ★★ (2005) Nicole Kidman, Will Ferrell.				The Pink Panther ★★	
	603	561	69 FN	Diners	Diners	Ramsay's Kitchen		Diners	Unwrapped	Bobby Flay	Bobby Flay	Diners
	-	-	35 AMC	(5:00) Kelly's Heroes ★★★ (1970, War)		Blazing Saddles ★★★ (1974) Cleavon Little. (CC)				From Hell ★★ (2001) (CC)		
	320	621	30 CEN	(6:20) Emotional Arithmetic		Sunshine Cleaning ★★★ (2008) Premiere.		(:35) Two Lovers ★★★ (2008) Joaquin Phoenix. (CC)				
	581	566	101 MTV	Teen Mom (CC)		1 girl 5 gays	After	Teen Cribs	Teen Cribs	Teen Mom (CC)		After

SATURDAY 1/9/10

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3 CBC	NHL Hockey Calgary Flames at Vancouver Canucks. (Subject to Blackout)					HNIC: After Hours		News	HNIC Replay
	250	321	9 CTV	NFL Football: NFC Wild-Card		CTV News (N) (CC)		Comedy Now	Comedy Now	Criminal Minds (CC)		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	renegade	Jane Show	In Her Mother's Footsteps (2006) Emma Caulfield. (CC)				The Guard (CC)		News Final
	256	389	12 VI	New Canoe	Island Week	Kool Countdown (CC)		The Road to Avonlea		Stargate Atlantis (CC)		Bravo!FACT
	253	359	13 CITY	Amazing	Role	Glenn Martin	Out There	The Incredible Mrs. Ritchie ★★ (2003) Gena Rowlands.				Amazing
	-	-	14 CW	The Office	The Office	Smash Cuts	Smash Cuts	The Hills	The Hills	CSI: NY "A Man a Mile"		CSI: Miami
	289	381	15 CBS	Paid Program	Paid Program	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		NUMB3RS "Cover Me"		48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)		KIRO 7 News
	287	379	16 NBC	NFL Football: NFC Wild-Card		Backroads	Inside Edition	Learning for Life		Dateline NBC (CC)		KING 5 News
	288	380	24 ABC	Fortune	Jeopardy!	The Bachelor: On the Wings of Love (CC)				Castle "Kill the Messenger"		News
	290	382	28 FOX	Two Men	Two Men	Cops (N) (PA)	Cops (CC)	America's Most Wanted		News	Most Wanted	Wanda Sykes
news	502	390	26 NW	Beatles Rocked the Kremlin		National	Issue	National	Mansbridge	Beatles Rocked the Kremlin		National
	500	500	63 CNN	Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Newsroom
sports	407	419	22 RSP	Best-Sports	College Basketball USC at California. (Live)				MMA Conn	Sportsnet Connected		Poker
	400	400	30 TSN	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)			E:60 (CC)		NFL	Winter X-Games Classix		SportsCentre
family	552	543	25 YTV	Zeke's Pad	Prank Patrol	Funniest Home Videos		That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline
	555	545	50 TEL	Cats & Dogs ★★ (2001, Comedy) Jeff Goldblum. (CC)				Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Venture Bros.	Moral Orel
	268	354	5 KNO	National Geographic		Heartbeat (CC)		Midsomer Murders "Bantling Boy" (CC)				Picture/Light
	575	583	20 CMT	Keith Urban: One on One		Sessions	Sessions	Gone Country		Keith Urban: One on One		Sessions
	615	520	31 A&E	CSI: Miami "Tipping Point"		CSI: Miami (CC)		(:01) CSI: Miami (CC)		(:01) CSI: Miami (CC)		CSI: Miami
	521	560	34 TLC	Dateline: Real Life Mysteries		Dateline: Real Life Mysteries		Dateline: Real Life Mysteries		Dateline: Real Life Mysteries		Dateline: Real
cable variety	616	522	33 SHO	Slings and Arrows (CC)		Alice (2009) (Part 2 of 2) Caterina Scorsone. (CC)				Night at the Museum ★★ (2006) (CC)		
	294	650	57 TBS	(6:00) The Heartbreak Kid		(:15) Cheaper by the Dozen ★★ (2003) Steve Martin.				(:15) Something's Gotta Give ★★★ (2003)		
	603	561	69 FN	Top Chef Masters (CC)		The F Word (CC)		Hugh's Chicken Run (CC)		Chopped (CC)		Top Chef
	-	-	35 AMC	(5:00) The Fugitive ★★★		Volcano ★★ (1997, Action) Tommy Lee Jones, Anne Heche.					Jagged Edge ★★ (1985)	
	320	621	30 CEN	(5:35) I'm Not There ★★★		The Haunting in Connecticut ★★ (2009)		(:45) The Haunting of Molly Hartley ★ (2008, Horror) (CC)				
	581	566	101 MTV	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	After	1 girl 5 gays	Over Bolts	Peak Season	Peak Season	Peak Season	1 girl 5 gays

SUNDAY 1/10/10

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3 CBC	Heartland (N) (CC) (DVS)		Shake Hands With the Devil ★★ (2007) Roy Dupuis. (CC)				CBC News: The National		News
	250	321	9 CTV	CSI: NY "Stuck on You"		Cold Case (N) (CC)		Desperate Housewives (N)		Criminal Minds (CC)		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	16:9 Picture	Family	Simpsons	The Simpsons 20th		Cleveland	(:01) Brothers & Sisters (N)		News Final
	256	389	12 VI	TMZ (CC)		Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle ★★ (2003) Cameron Diaz.				Nip/Tuck "Don Hoberman"		New Canoe
	253	359	13 CITY	Survivorman (CC) (DVS)		Extreme Makeover: Home		Chuck Chuck flunks out of spy school. (CC)				Amazing
	-	-	14 CW	Boston Legal (CC)		CSI: Miami "Dangerous Son"		CSI: NY "Outside Man"		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15 CBS	60 Minutes (N) (CC)		NCIS: Los Angeles "Identity"		Cold Case (N) (CC)		Criminal Minds (CC)		KIRO 7 News
	287	379	16 NBC	Dateline NBC (CC)				Chuck Chuck flunks out of spy school. (CC)				KING 5 News
	288	380	24 ABC	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives (N)		(:01) Brothers & Sisters (N)		News
	290	382	28 FOX	Cleveland	Amer Dad	Simpsons	The Simpsons 20th		Cleveland	News	Sports	House (CC)
news	502	390	26 NW	Who Killed the Electric Car? ★★★ (2006, Documentary)				CBC News: The National		Who Killed the Electric Car? ★★★ (2006)		
	500	500	63 CNN	Newsroom		State of the Union		Larry King Live		State of the Union		State/Union
sports	407	419	22 RSP	Snowboarding		Alpine Skiing		The Ultimate Fighter		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	NBA Basketball: Cavaliers at Trail Blazers			SportsCentre (Live) (CC)		Motoring	SnowTrax	Planet Speed	SportsCentre
family	552	543	25 YTV	The Adventures of Sharkboy and Lavagirl			Family Biz	Fries That?	Fries That?	Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline
	555	545	50 TEL	Stoked	Total Drama	Majority	6TEEN	Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Futurama	Tripping-Rift
	268	354	5 KNO	National Geographic		The Royal Raise chickens.		Margery & Gladys (CC)				Beautiful
	575	583	20 CMT	Live at the 2009 CCMA's (N)		A Story of Songs		Funniest Home Videos		Shaye: This Is It		2009 CCMA's
	615	520	31 A&E	Jacksons: A Family Dynasty		Jacksons: A Family Dynasty		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		Jacksons
	521	560	34 TLC	Plane Crash Survivors		Flight 175: World Watched		Brace for Impact		Plane Crash Survivors		Kidnapped
	616	522	33 SHO	Cra$h & Burn "Gone" (CC)		Disaster Zone: Volcano in New York (2006, Action) (CC)				NCIS "Switch" (CC)		Cra$h & Burn
cable variety	294	650	57 TBS	The Wedding Planner ★★ (2001) Jennifer Lopez. (CC)				Failure to Launch ★★ (2006) Matthew McConaughey. (CC)				Wimbledon
	603	561	69 FN	Dinner: Impossible (CC)		Restaurant Makeover (CC)		Jamie's Ministry of Food		Iron Chef America (CC)		Dinner
	-	-	35 AMC	(5:00) Spy Game ★★ (2001)		Spy Game ★★ (2001, Suspense) Robert Redford, Brad Pitt, Catherine McCormack.						The Skulls ★
	320	621	30 CEN	(5:55) 21 ★★ (2008) (CC)		I Love You, Man ★★★ (2009) Paul Rudd.				(:45) Forgetting Sarah Marshall ★★★ (2008) Jason Segel.		
	581	566	101 MTV	Peak Season	After	1 girl 5 gays	Over Bolts	After	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	1 girl 5 gays

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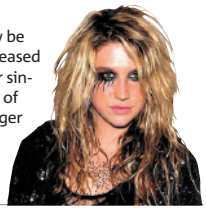
Shania hosts radio show
In a rare media appearance, Timmins, Ont.-raised country singer Shania Twain hosts The Current on Friday morning on CBC Radio One, filling in for Anna-Maria Tremonti. METRO NEWS SERVICES

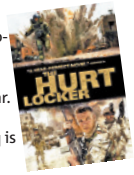
Going Out

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 Animal Instinct
MUSIC It looks like this may be Ke$ha's year. The singer released her album, Animal, and her single TiK ToK is the first No. 1 of the new decade. Not too bad for a singer who claims she used to wear clothes she'd find in the garbage.



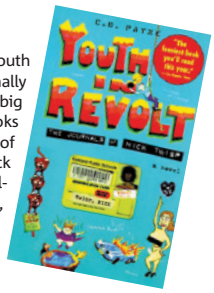
2 The Hurt Locker
DVD After winning the National Society of Film Critics award on Sunday, The Hurt Locker became the frontrunner in the race for an Oscar. Directed by Kathryn Bigelow, the movie about an elite bomb squad unit in Iraq is being released on DVD next week.



3 Kids in the Hall Return
TELEVISION After a lengthy hiatus from the small screen, the Kids in the Hall have reunited for a new series, Death Comes to Town, an eight part miniseries running on CBC starting Tuesday. If the TV previews are any indication, the series will feature the Kids' cruel wit and numerous fat suits.

4 Avatar Dominates Box Office
FILM As well as receiving nominations for a number of awards, James Cameron's sci-fi epic Avatar also maintained its box office dominance, racking in $68.5 million US last weekend and shooting past the $1 billion worldwide mark. It's only the fifth movie to do so.

5 Youth Revolution
BOOKS Payne's Youth in Revolt has finally made it to the big screen. The original books chronicle the experience of sex-obsessed teen Nick Twisp, who is brought to celluloid life by Brampton, Ont,-born actor Michael Cera. (Read Richard Crouse's review of the film in today's movie section).



6 Vampire Chronicles
CULTURE Vampires were the big winners again this week, with Twilight, True Blood and The Vampire Diaries all sucking up trophies at the 36th annual People's Choice Awards on Wednesday night. Friday also marks the release of Daybreakers, the latest film featuring these eternal creatures of the night.

7 American Idol's New Host
REALITY A new season of American Idol starts this month, but after eight seasons, is there still talent out there to support a ninth season? Just in case, the show has brought in talk show host Ellen DeGeneres to add a bit of humour and replace former judge Paula Abdul.

Mix of Six

31st Annual Wedding Fair
When: Saturday &- Sunday, from 9 a.m.
Where: Westin Bayshore Resort and Marina
Canada's longest-running wedding trade show features 150 exhibiters, eight fashion shows, more than 1,000 prizes and a $100,000 dream wedding giveaway. Tickets are$20.

Jay Leno
When: Saturday, 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Where: River Rock Show Theatre
Leno goes back to his stand-up roots. Tickets are $99.50. riverrock.com.

Extraordinary: Art of Craft
When: Friday 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Where: Vancouver Museum
The Craft Council of B.C. is holding a fundraising gala featuring wine, food, a silent auction, jazz and a preview of the international craft exhibit Tickets are $75.

Christmas Tree Recycling
When: Saturday & Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Where: Park Board locations around Vancouver
The Lions Club and City of Vancouver are hosting tree-chipping fundraisers Bring a cash donation. Vancouver.ca and ubcbotanicalgarden.org.

Alice in Wonderland
When: Sunday, 2:30 p.m.
Where: Vancity Theatre
The Vancouver International Film Festival Family Flix Series presents Norman McLeod's 1933 version. Tickets start at $10 for adults. vifc.org.org.

Vancouver's Best Dance Crews
When: Friday, 9:30 p.m.
Where:Gossip Nightclub
Hip-hop dance group Massive Monkeys, stars of America's Best Dance Crew, will host a night of Vancouver's best hip-hop dancers. Tickets: $15. independentvancouver.com.

A brush with death

Kids in the Hall return to TV after 15 years

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

Though any new episodes have been absent from the airwaves for 15 years, the shadow of Canadian cult comedy troupe The Kids in the Hall still looms large.

Their special brand of broad, gender-bending, absurdist and abstract sketch humour was a staple of CBC's prime time schedule circa 1988 to 1994, inspiring a generation of comedians.

And, although they've continued to tour extensively in North America, true Kids completists, who've been clamoring for their return to TV, finally have cause for celebration with Death Comes to Town: an eight-part miniseries starting Tuesday.

Charting the tapestry of grimly hilarious events that befall the dimwitted populace of backwater town Shuckton, Ont., after the grim reaper (Mark McKinney) arrives, the show features the original kids.

They play almost every onscreen character — male and female — and the show is full of the kind of cruel wit that the troupe trades in.

Death Comes to Town premieres on CBC

"Almost everything I've written stems from an image," says Death Comes to Town co-writer/producer Bruce McCulloch.

"Here it's Death getting off a Greyhound bus in a small town and the possibilities for comedy that could follow. We were on tour, and I had written an outline to do the show as a feature film, but ultimately it made more sense to do a miniseries. We have a lot more freedom here to get deeper into the characters' drawers."

McCulloch's countercultural influences have always been evident in The Kids in the Hall, with the results being that even at their warmest, there's always a sort of anti-establishment refusal to behave in their skits.

"I think our show has always had a rock 'n' roll edge," he says. "I love Iggy Pop and Lou Reed, and I really love weird movies. I stole a lot of David Lynch's feel for Death Comes to Town.

"When I was younger, I used to get drunk every night and watch Eraserhead. Because of this, my wife says everything I touch instantly turns to cult. This usually means the kids are hungry but, there it is …"

The members of Kids in the Hall.

Tori's third book

Tori Spelling is once again returning to the bookshelves to tell her side of the story. Her third book, tentatively titled unchartered terriTORI, is scheduled to hit stores in June, people.com reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

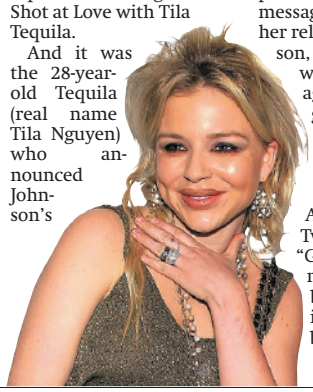
Celebrity Buzz

Attack of the tabloids

EX-LOVER LASHES OUT Casey Johnson's longtime girlfriend Courtenay Semel has broken her silence after the heiress' death to lash out at another woman close to Johnson — reality star Tila Tequila, people.com reports.

"The thing I find the most sickening is that the media is giving (her) the one thing she craves: Attention. Tila, you knew her for a week," Semel tells People.

Just weeks before Johnson was found dead in her Los Angeles home at age 30, Johnson made tabloid news when she said she was engaged to Tequila, the star of MTV's over-the-top matchmaking show A Shot at Love with Tila Tequila.



And it was the 28-year-old Tequila (real name Tila Nguyen) who announced Johnson's death on her Twitter page.

Since then, Tequila has posted a series of bizarre messages on Twitter about her relationship with Johnson, along with crudely worded attacks against gossip blogger Perez Hilton. (Tequila has declined interview requests).

Billy Bush, host of Access Hollywood, Tweeted in response, "Gross... claims 2 b mourning fiancée but seems 2 b pumping her new gossip blog."

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Leaving on a jet... or not

MISSED CONNECTION Lindsay Lohan's return from her New Year's vacation in St. Bart's turned into quite an adventure when an argument with designer Patrick Aufdenkamp caused the actress to refuse to fly back on his private jet.

Instead, Lohan flew commercial and missed a connection in North Carolina, a saga she catalogued on her Twitter account. She and her sister, Ali Lohan, along with a family friend, opted to rent a car and drive 10 hours back to New York.

Her advice to fellow travelers? "US Airways — don't fly them," Lohan posted.

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Celebrity tweets

Jonathan Ross may be quitting his talk show, but he isn't quitting Twitter, Heidi Montag is catching up on TV from seven years ago and Kathy Griffin questions her own success.

- @wossy Don't worry, I won't stop tweeting!
- @heidimontag I'm watching The Simple Life! @parishilton and @nicolerichie you are so funny! thats hot!
- @kathygriffin Random House just gave me news that "Official Book Club Selection" #21 on NY Times best seller list. Is Oprah jst buying them so u WON'T???

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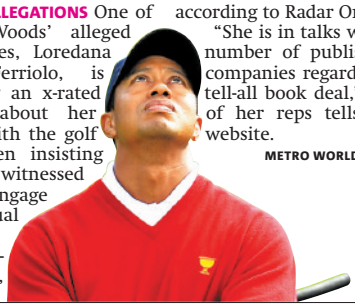
Swings both ways: Source

MORE ALLEGATIONS One of Tiger Woods' alleged mistresses, Loredana Jolie Ferriolo, is hawking an x-rated tell-all about her times with the golf pro, even insisting that she witnessed Woods engage in sexual activity with other men, according to Radar Online.



"She is in talks with a number of publishing companies regarding a tell-all book deal," one of her reps tells the website.

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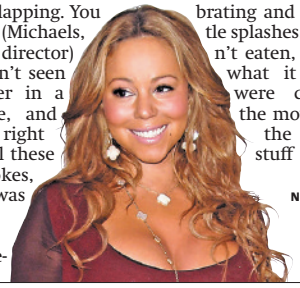
What'd I say again?: Mariah

ALCOHOL-INFLUENCED SPEECH Mariah Carey is blaming it on the alcohol, usmagazine.com reports.

At Wednesday's People's Choice Awards, the diva, 40, was asked about her sloshy speech Tuesday at the Palm Springs International Film Festival awards gala.

"I don't even know what it was," she told reporters. "I heard clapping. You know, Lee (Michaels, Precious director) and I hadn't seen each other in a long time, and he started right in with all these inside jokes, and I was like, OK.



"We were celebrating and having little splashes, and I hadn't eaten, and that's what it was. We were celebrating the movie and all the exciting stuff going on."

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Maybe his talent should be tested

ANOTHER TV SHOW? David Hasselhoff is leaving America's Got Talent where he has served as a judge for the past four years. The former Baywatch star, who has been plagued by stories of alcohol-related rushes to the emergency room, is reportedly setting out to start a new TV show. "We are sad to see him go," a rep for NBC said in a statement.

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A woman of substance

THE RIGHT ROLES Natalie Portman says there's a reason she never shows up in romantic comedies: She doesn't think they're very good.

"It wasn't that I didn't want to do comedy," the actress insists to Elle magazine. "It's just that I would only get offered girlfriend parts in guy comedies, which aren't exciting to me, or those offensive roles in romantic comedies where the woman has to have a job in fashion so that she can have nice clothes, and her goal is always marriage."

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Not the ride of her life

IN RECOVERY Former Desperate Housewives star Nicolette Sheridan got quite a scare when she was reportedly thrown from a horse she was riding without wearing a helmet recently, according to the National Enquirer.

The blond beauty hit her head on a fence post on the way down and had to be rushed to the hospital.

"After tests for possible internal injuries, docs stapled up the gash and sent Nicolette home," a source says.

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Restaurant owner by day

NEW VENTURE Former teen singer and Dancing with the Stars contestant Aaron Carter has found a new career: restaurant owner. Carter recently became part-owner of a Florida pizza place, Slice, and has started pitching his new venture on his Twitter account, referring to the restaurant as "where I am every day." "The first five fans to show up at Slice and find me will get my favorite combo," Carter posted.

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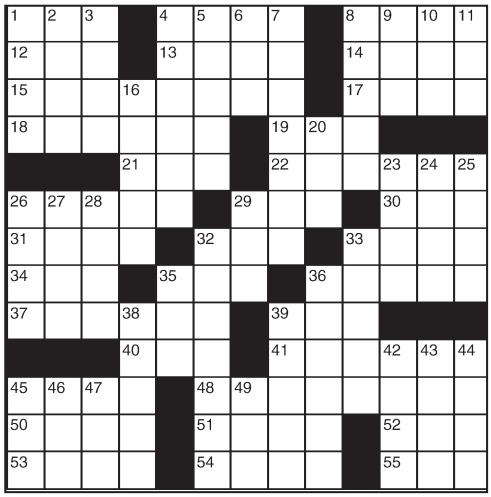

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Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

	9		4		3			8
				1		4		2
				6		3	7	
	6						8	4
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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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1	4	8	3	6	7	2	9	5
2	5	6	8	9	4	7	3	1
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4	8	3	6	7	9	5	1	2
7	6	5	2	1	8	9	4	3
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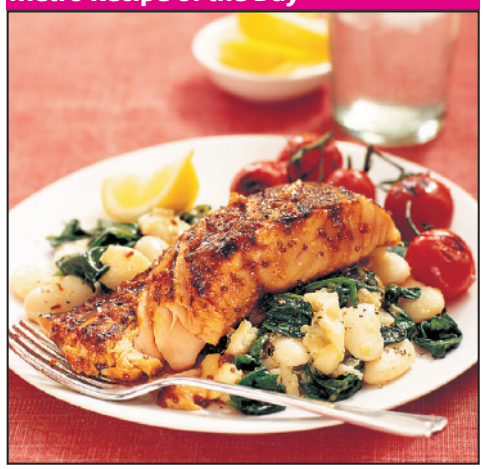

Honey Salmon with Lima Beans and Spinach

INGREDIENTS:

1 Tbsp (15 mL) canola oil
1 Tbsp (15 mL) soy sauce
2 tsp (10 mL) honey
2 tsp (10 mL) whole-grain mustard
grated zest and juice of 1 lemon
4 skinless salmon fillets
2 398-mL cans Lima beans, drained and rinsed
1 garlic clove, crushed
2 Tbsp (25 mL) olive oil
pinch of crushed chili flakes
7 oz (200 g) baby spinach, rinsed
12 cherry tomatoes

METHOD:

1. In dish, mix oil, soy sauce, honey, mustard and 1 tbsp (15 mL) lemon juice. Add salmon and turn to coat.
2. Put Lima beans and garlic in pan with olive oil, remaining lemon juice, zest and crushed chili flakes. Set aside.
3. Tip damp spinach into dry frying pan and stir over low heat until wilted. Drain and set aside. Gently heat beans.
4. Heat frying pan until hot; cook salmon on both sides until just firm and pink. Add tomatoes for last minute.
5. Roughly crush beans with fork. Stir in spinach and seasoning. Divide among four serving plates. Arrange salmon and tomatoes on each. Serve at once.

SERVES 4

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
No matter how many times you may have failed in the past you will undoubtedly succeed today and over the weekend. Help others succeed as well.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Cosmic activity in your fellow Earth sign of Capricorn makes this the kind of day when everything comes easy to you and self-doubt does not exist.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
You like to use your head but it is possible to be too rational and today you should strive to let your intuition guide you.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
If you take a genuine interest in the people you share your life with they will take a genuine interest in you.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You may be having a tough time coping but if you focus on your problems in the right way you will find the solutions you need.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
This is potentially one of the best times of the year as cosmic activity in the sympathetic sign of Capricorn makes everything seem so easy.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Let your instincts guide you today, even if they lead you in what the logical side of your brain says is the wrong direction.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
Anyone who doubts that you are a star won't doubt it much longer. You will do something today or over the weekend that takes the world by surprise.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
You may be tempted to get up and go somewhere different, but make sure you can get back to your home base quickly.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
All things are possible for you now. Cosmic activity in and around your birth sign encourages you to reach for whatever star has caught your attention.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
The answers you seek are not in the world "out there" but in your head and your heart and if you make an effort you will discover the key to happiness.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Everything is set fair for you today, but there is a danger you won't reach your full potential because your confidence is so fragile.

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